

Britain wins large role in SDI research

From Christopher Thomas, Washington

Britain and the United States yesterday exchanged the first important contracts for research under President Reagan's controversial Strategic Defence Initiative (SDI).

participation in SDI will be real and substantial and that the Pentagon may also be ready to offer further contracts in areas of high technology later.

the World Affairs Council last night, said that the American taxpayer and the Nato Alliance as a whole would find the US-British contracts would more than pay for themselves.

Tomorrow The Irish free thinker



Times Profile of Dr Garret FitzGerald, Taoiseach on the divorce reform tightrope

Portfolio

The £4,000 daily prize in The Times Portfolio Gold competition was won outright yesterday by Mr Geoffrey J Amblyn of Sutton, Surrey.

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On This Day

Sixty-seven years ago the German Fleet was scuttled in Scapa Flow. Mr B F Gribble, a marine artist, described his sinking to The Times Page 15



Martina Navratilova, the Wimbledon champion, smashes her way to an easy 6-3, 6-2 first round victory yesterday over Amanda Dingwall of Australia. Reports, page 37.

Blasts hurt 17 in South Africa

From Michael Hornsby Johannesburg

Two explosions went off in central Johannesburg yesterday afternoon, injuring at least 17 people, most of them whites, according to first reports.

Howe suggests EEC 'troika' for Pretoria

From Richard Owen, Brussels

Sir Geoffrey Howe, the British Foreign Secretary who next week takes over the presidency of the European Economic Community, yesterday said he was actively considering a peace mission to Pretoria as part of a 'troika' made up of the past, present and future presidents of the EEC Council of Ministers.

He said the troika was not a device to overcome the EEC split but an attempt to examine the situation at close hand and carefully consider the options likely to bring about the end of apartheid - 'a system we all abhor'.

Ministers act on doctors crisis

By Nicholas Timmins, Social Services Correspondent

Ministers plan to increase the number of hospital consultants and introduce a controversial new grade of hospital specialists, below the rank of consultant, to solve the mounting manpower crisis in the National Health Service.

Trade under pressure

which damaged the entrance and foyer as well as a neighbouring shop. Official sources said they thought limpet mines were responsible.

Paisley warns of civil war

Fresh from his vitriolic attack on the Royal Ulster Constabulary, the Rev Ian Paisley yesterday continued to whip up his supporters by declaring that the Province was on the verge of 'civil war' that could bring 'hand to hand' street fighting.

Appeal by Reagan for Contra aid

From Christopher Thomas Washington

President Reagan appealed in an impassioned nationally televised speech yesterday for the Democratic-controlled House of Representatives to approve his request to give \$100 million (£66 million) to the Nicaraguan Contras.

Ban on Scottish sheep

A three-week ban on the movement and slaughter of sheep in three areas of Scotland was decreed yesterday because of higher than normal radiation levels in young lambs caused by fallout from the Chernobyl disaster.

Exchange on women priests

At an important exchange of letters between the Vatican and the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie, on the issue of female ordination is expected to be published next week.

Lord Stockton ill

By a Staff Reporter Lord Stockton, aged 92, formerly Mr Harold Macmillan, has been confined to bed with a chest infection.

Getty pays £1.3m for A'Becket manuscript

By Geraldine Norman Sale Room Correspondent John Paul Getty II spent £1,375,000 at Sotheby's yesterday to acquire four manuscript leaves with lively illustrations of the life of St Thomas A'Becket and his clash with Henry II.

Whitehall urges ANC to suspend violence

By Philip Webster and Richard Evans

The British Government last night asked the outlawed African National Congress to suspend its armed struggle in South Africa to enable negotiations to take place with the Pretoria regime leading to the ending of apartheid.

Both meetings with Mr Tambo took place against a background of fury on the Tory right that they were taking place at all.

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# Cancer linked to 'passive smoking', says senior scientist

By Thomson Prentice, Science Correspondent

Some people develop cancer from breathing the smoke from other people's cigarettes, according to Sir Richard Doll, the scientist who established the link between smoking and lung cancer in the 1950s.

His verdict contradicts the conclusions of the latest research on the risks of "passive" smoking. The Institute of Cancer Research has concluded that inhaling other people's smoke carries no significant increase in risk of lung cancer.

However, in a speech at the Royal Society of Medicine in London on Monday night, Sir Richard said: "Some cancers must certainly be caused by the involuntary, or passive, inspiration of smoke that others produce."

Smoking now accounts for about 90 per cent of all lung cancer deaths in Britain and for more than a third of deaths from all types of cancer in this country, he said.

Reduction in the use of tobacco is "outstandingly the most important" measure to prevent cancer, Sir Richard, who is honorary consultant to the Imperial Cancer Research Fund epidemiology unit at the Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford, said.

The Institute of Cancer Research is to publish its latest findings in the *British Journal*

of *Cancer* next month. The study, involving more than 12,000 people, concludes that passive smoking for life-long non-smokers carries no significant risk of lung cancer, bronchitis or heart disease.

Market traders who take a puff on a cigarette between serving customers with fresh food are in breach of food hygiene regulations, two High Court judges ruled yesterday.

Lord Justice Woolf and Mr Justice Simon Brown held that magistrates at Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, had not properly interpreted the regulations when they dismissed a prosecution brought by St Edmundsbury Borough Council against Mr Lawrence Bugg, a vegetable stallholder at Bury St Edmunds.

The magistrates acquitted Mr Bugg last October after accepting his evidence that he never smoked while serving customers but that he did smoke between customers, leaving his lit cigarette on the back of his lorry trailer.

The judges said that the regulations banned those serving the public from smoking while handling any food open to contamination. But they decided that, in view of the time the case had taken to reach the High Court, it should not be sent back to the magistrates with a direction to convict.



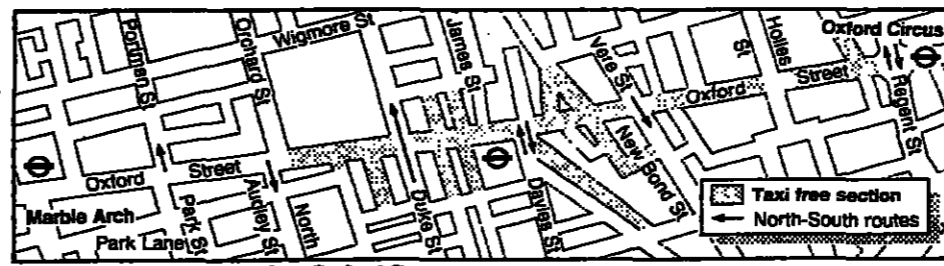
## Oxford St facelift proposed

By Mark Dowd

Plans for a comprehensive facelift to take Oxford Street into the twenty-first century were unveiled yesterday.

Proposals in the interim report of Westminster City Council's Oxford Street Steering Group fall short of complete pedestrianization, but taxis would be banned between Orchard Street and Oxford Circus as part of a short-term experiment.

The report, announced by Mr Alan Bradley, planning and development committee chairman, suggests that one way to accommodate the displacement problem would be to provide more taxi ranks in the streets which cross Oxford



An artist's impressions of an Oxford Street for pedestrians: top left, cleared of taxis and, top right, buses too; the map shows taxi crossing points.

Street, ensuring that no one need walk more than 100 yards for a cab.

The steering group's traffic survey disclosed that 1,500 vehicles an hour pass through the street during shopping hours. Nearly half of these are taxis, most of which do not use the area for picking up or setting down but simply as a convenient through route across one of London's busiest traffic arteries.

Buses might also be diverted in the long term, but the task of re-routing the 21 services

and 340 buses an hour was deemed to be a much more complex and costly operation.

"In recent years, Oxford Street has become a victim of its own success. Overcrowded pavements, pollution, noise and general clutter are all detracting from what should be a shopping showpiece," Mr Bradley said.

"The street has an unacceptably high number of accidents."

Mr Bradley and Mr Harry Shepherd, director of the Ox-

ford Street Traders' Association, confirmed that it was a consultative document and that "nothing would be done without careful consideration of the effect on adjacent residential areas".

Mr Arnold Sandler, chairman of the Licensed Taxi Drivers' Association, was less impressed. He described the traffic survey in the report as "inadequate", and said he would be approaching the Office of Fair Trading if any moves were made to implement the partial ban on taxis.

## Home call to press ahead with Trident

Lord Home of the Hirsel, the former Prime Minister, last night urged the Government and its successor to press ahead with completion of the Trident missile programme to give Britain a new strategic deterrent in 10 years' time.

There was little bargaining power left in Polaris, "and the Russians know it", he said.

President Ronald Reagan's Strategic Defence Initiative (SDI) would have to be seen to work before Nato would want to consider any changes in its defences. But it looked as if it would be 10 years before enough SDI hardware appeared to carry any conviction with the allies.

Lord Home was speaking in London at the Brassey's Defence Publishers annual dinner to an audience which included the chiefs of staff of the Royal Navy and the RAF, and Senator John Tower, the former Geneva arms negotiator.

But despite Lord Home's faith in the system, a book being published by Brassey's this week will question the Government's decision to buy Trident.

Dr Colin Melnes, a defence analyst, says in *Trident: The Only Option* that British defence policy is now approaching a financial crisis at which Trident is a big contributor.

## Claim for £6m lost on scuttled carrier

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

Fraudsters who try to bring cramped-up insurance claims of shipping losses have been dealt a serious blow by a recent judgement from the London Commercial Court, the London marine insurance community said yesterday.

The court has found in favour of the insurers, Alliance Assurance Company, of London, in the case of the loss of a bulk carrier, *Captain Panagos DP*, which grounded in the Red Sea in 1982 and subsequently caught fire.

The claim for a loss of about £6 million plus interest, was rejected by leading London insurers on the ground that the vessel had been scuttled. Their case before the Commercial Court has been upheld after a 40-day hearing.

Mr Alan Birch, marine claims manager of the Sun Alliance Group of which the Alliance Assurance Company is part, said: "It is a very welcome result."

The claim was brought jointly by the mortgage bank, Continental Illinois Bank and Trust Company, of Chicago, who the judge said were innocent parties, with the owners, Xenofon Maritime SA, of Panama.

## Unions to act on GCHQ dispute

Leaders of Whitehall unions yesterday agreed a programme of action as a first stage in the developing campaign to reverse the Government's decision to impose severe financial penalties on staff at the Government Communication Headquarters (GCHQ) who rejoined a trade union.

The policies committee of the Council of Civil Service Unions has called for demonstrations throughout Britain to express anger and indignation at the way union members at GCHQ Cheltenham have been treated.

The demonstrations will be timed to coincide with a planned meeting between unions and Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary. Asked whether strike action was being considered, Mr Bill McCall, the committee's acting chairman, said: "There is a great deal of anger in Government departments over this issue."

"There have already been walkouts in a number of offices, and if out of the protest meetings members take other industrial action that would not be surprising - but it is up to them."

The unions involved have agreed on a comprehensive "statement of case" to put to the Foreign Secretary. They will be using that and other publicity to back their claim that the penalties imposed are vicious and vindictive.

A dozen or so GCHQ workers have been disciplined after accepting a payment of £1,000 to leave their unions but then rejoining.

They have been told they will lose up to two pay increments for two years, be debarred from proposed new grading structures, incur impaired promotion prospects and be removed from overseas listings.

Yesterday's decisions will be discussed by the TUC's general council tomorrow.

Civil Service union leaders said that they were confident of TUC support for the further action now planned. They rejected government claims that the penalties were the responsibility of GCHQ management.

Mr McCall said: "The Government is accountable for actions of management in the Civil Service."

## Court reduces jail terms for pit strikers

Two striking miners who attacked a working colleague in his home during the miners' strike had three-year jail sentences reduced to two years in the Court of Appeal in London yesterday.

Lord Lane, the Lord Chief Justice, allowing appeals by Martin and Nigel Hodgson, who are brothers, said: "We feel that the passage of time permits us to extend a measure of leniency in the hope that it may serve to help heal the many breaches caused by that terrible strike."

Martin, aged 27, and Nigel Hodgson, aged 25, were jailed on November 9 last year for causing Mr Michael Fletcher grievous bodily harm.

Lord Lane said that the attack by the brothers and other striking miners on Mr Fletcher at his Castleford home, was appalling.

He was struck with a pickaxe handle and a piece of metal while his pregnant wife and two small children were upstairs.

## Prisoner died 24 hours after pronounced fit

A doctor pronounced a prisoner fit to remain in a cell's punishment block 24 hours before his death from kidney failure and heart problems, an inquest was told yesterday.

Dr Josef Mieszkowski, senior medical officer at Exeter Prison, took the decision despite a deterioration in Mark Hogg's condition.

Three hours later, after Hogg went into convulsions and developed breathing difficulties, he had to walk 300 yards to the prison hospital. He was taken to hospital in Exeter, but died next morning.

The long-running inquest has heard allegations from a fellow prisoner, Philip Ruthford, aged 26, that Hogg, of Russia Dock Road, east London, was kicked and punched by up to eight policemen at

## Mortuary libel action won by pathologist

Dr Geoffrey Andrews, a pathologist, won libel damages at the High Court yesterday over allegations that conditions in his mortuary were frightening and below standard.

Mr Stuart Barber, a union official, had alleged in a report to the South West Health Authority in March 1980 that conditions at the St Woolos Hospital mortuary failed to comply with Government standards. He said Dr Andrews was responsible for unacceptable risks of infection.

Mr Barber, Cardiff area officer for the National Union of Public Employees, said that the pathologist was personally responsible for neglecting proper steps to ensure the safety of mortuary staff and failed to warn them when they were required to handle highly infectious bodies.

Mr Barber now accepted that the allegations were false, apologized and agreed to pay appropriate undisclosed damages and all legal costs.

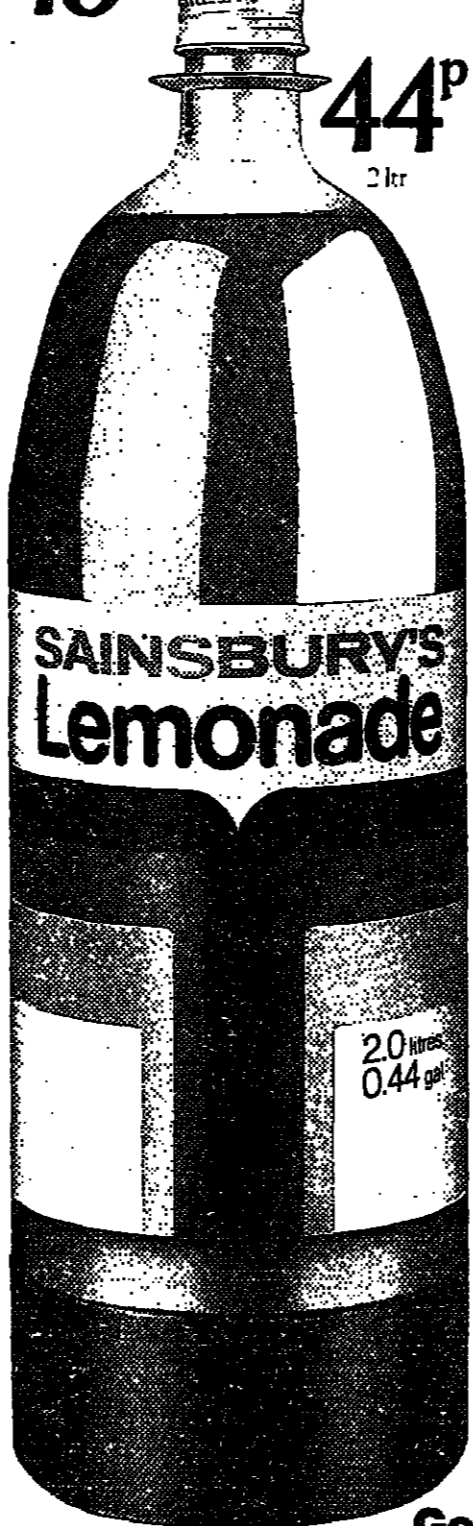
Yeovil after they were recaptured after an escape, and by prison officers on their return to Exeter on September 27.

Yesterday, Dr Mieszkowski said that he examined Hogg three times; on each occasion he complained of vomiting and abdominal pains.

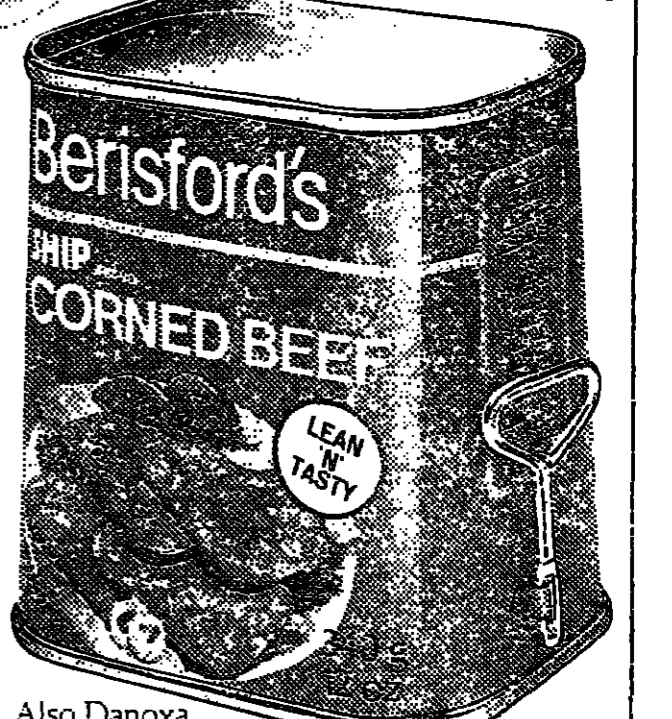
The doctor diagnosed a stomach bug. "I was perfectly satisfied there was no evidence of internal injury. But the day after the third visit - 24 hours before Hogg died - there was a deterioration. His eyes were 'puffy', he was spitting blood, still complaining of sickness and pain, and had a cut lip."

"I was surprised that his condition had changed. There was evident deterioration in his condition," Dr Mieszkowski said. The hearing continues

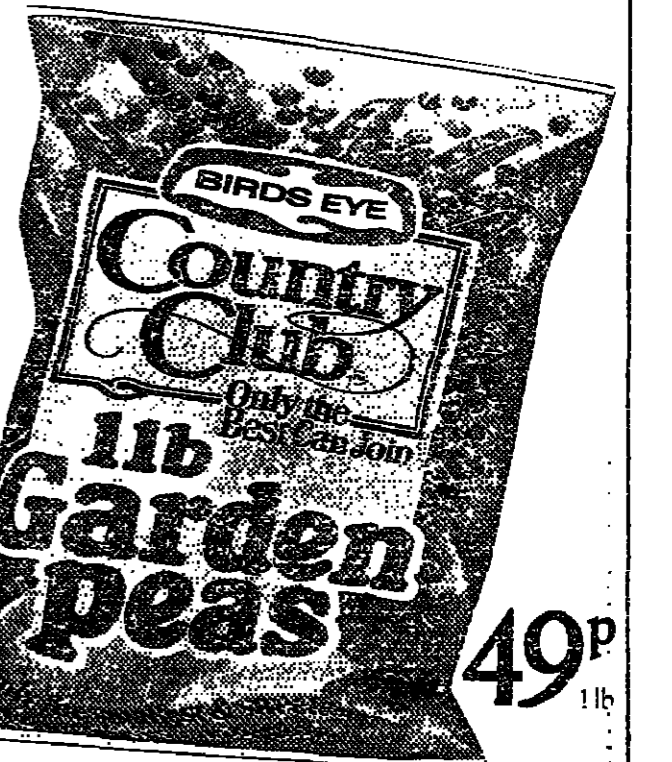
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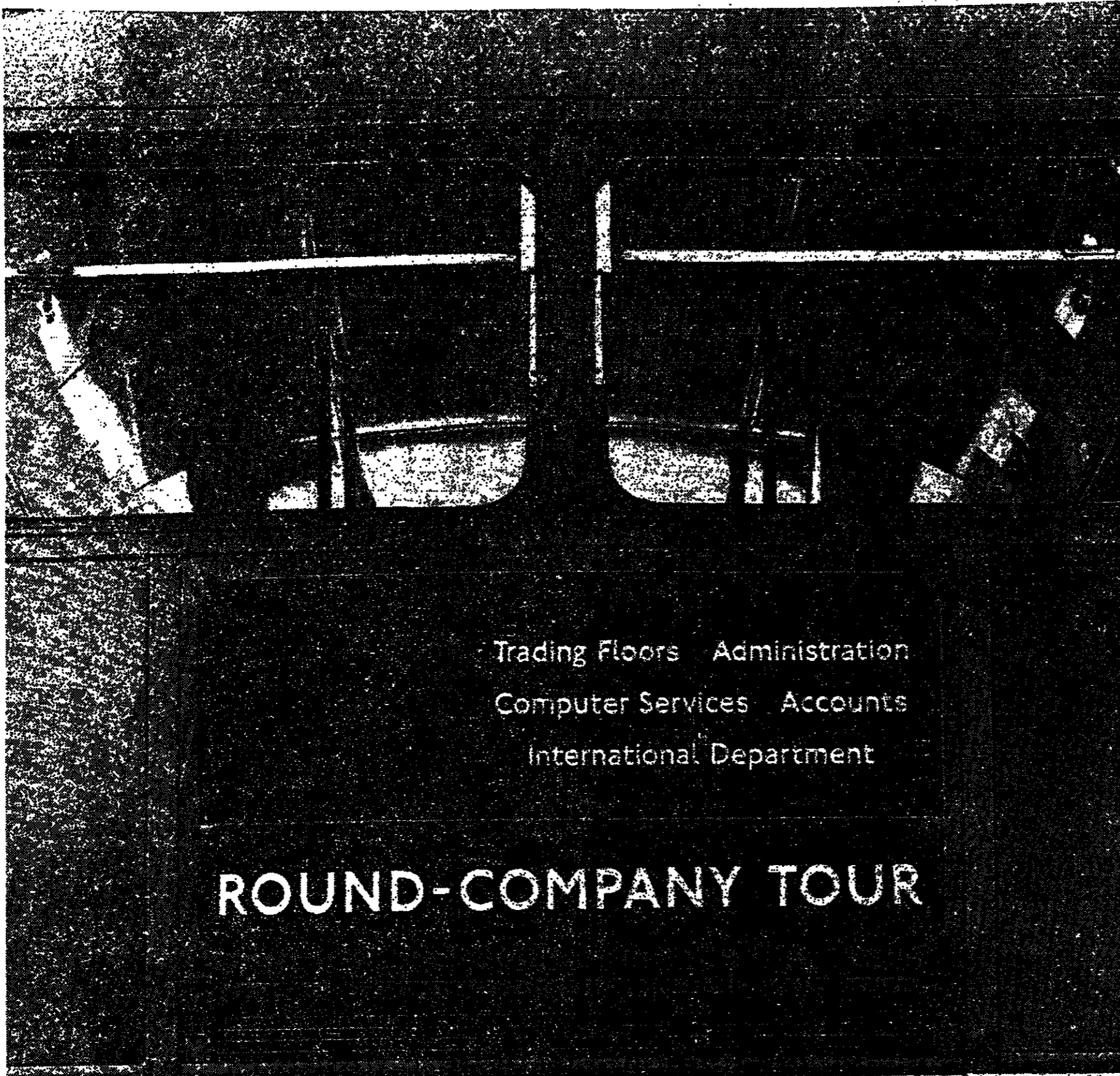


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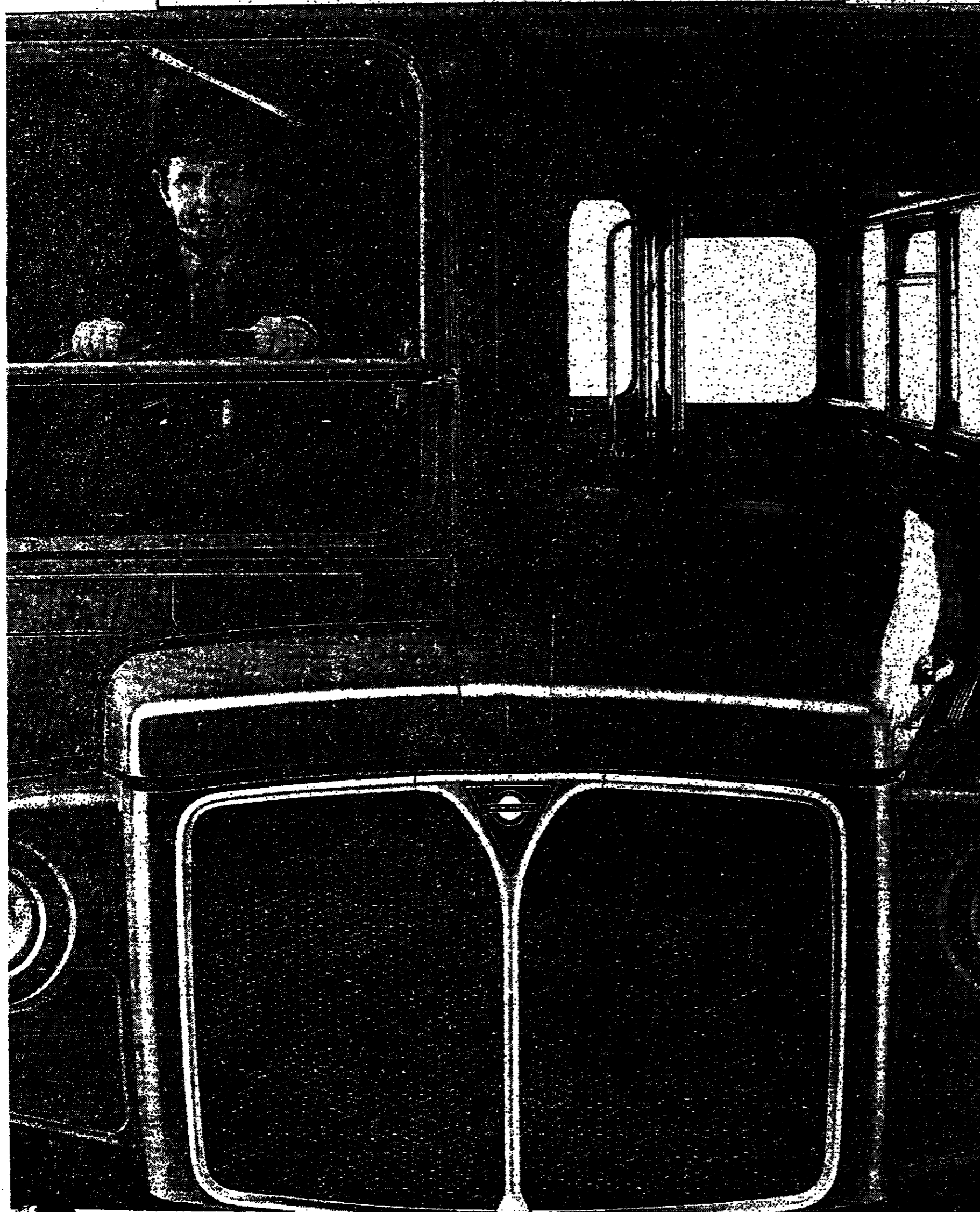
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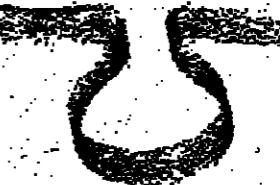
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# Blast wrecks Bulgarian steel plant and kills 8 Polish expert advisers

From Roger Boyes, Warsaw  
 A large explosion in a Bulgarian steel plant has killed a number of people, including Polish metallurgical experts, according to official sources in Warsaw.

Reports from Bulgaria indicated that eight Poles had died, but did not give any other casualty figures.

The Bulgarian Prime Minister, Mr Georgi Atanasov, has appointed one of his deputies to supervise the recovery operation and a Polish steel specialist has been included in the team.

First information about the blast investigation in Srednogyorie on Monday was disclosed yesterday by the Polish

government spokesman, Mr Jerzy Urban, who described it as a tragic accident.

He said that Poles were among the dead, though he could not give an exact number, and four were on the critical list.

The Poles have been helping to modernize the steel mill in Srednogyorie as part of a Bulgarian drive to improve the quality and output of its rolled steel.

This spring, the Steel Minister, Mr Toncho Chakurov, was dismissed and the Mechanical Engineering Ministry was scrapped.

Poland, one of the biggest steel producers in the Soviet bloc, often hires out its specialists as advisers to neighbouring countries.

With little information available from the Bulgarian news agency, Sofiapress, it was impossible to gauge the real scope of the explosion.

But diplomats in Soviet bloc countries assumed that it must be serious.

Bulgarian analysts said the man in charge of the investigation team would be either the Deputy Premier, Mr Ognyan Doynov, aged 51, or the first deputy premier, Mr Stoyan Markov.

Mr Doynov is thought to be the man most likely to succeed the Head of State, Mr Todor Zhivkov.



Doctors giving first aid to people injured in the bomb blast at a fast food restaurant in Johannesburg yesterday.

# Armed struggle defended by ANC

By Sheila Ginn  
 Political Staff

Black South Africans must intensify their armed struggle against apartheid, whether or not sanctions are imposed, Mr Thabo Mbeki, director of information for the African National Congress, told MPs yesterday.

He said the banned ANC would not suspend violence without a willingness by the South African regime to dismantle apartheid. So far the measures taken by Pretoria had been cosmetic.

"Our violence is entirely the response to the situation created by South Africa. It came about because the ANC became illegal and if we want to change it we have no choice but to take up arms."

The release of Mr Nelson Mandela and other political prisoners, although an important step, would not create a democratic system of government and the freed men would simply join in the struggle, he added.

Giving evidence to the Commons' all-party Select Committee on Foreign Affairs, he warned against imposing selective sanctions.

"We are asking for comprehensive mandatory sanctions — and now — because we think sanctions work."

"We are concerned about selective sanctions. We think that is to remove from sanctions their impact because they could survive it. To do it little by little — they would have time to adapt."

He added: "It is in our interests to ensure that the South African economy is as little destroyed as possible because clearly the new South Africa must address many very serious problems of education, housing and health."

# Air Force may fill Challenger gap

Washington (NYT) — In a major expansion of the Administration's unmanned rocket programme, the Air Force has plans to build a mid-sized rocket to lift military payloads grounded by the loss of the space shuttle Challenger.

Mr Edward Aldridge, who was appointed secretary of the Air Force two months ago, said the rocket's manufacturer would also be required to develop a commercial version of the vehicle to compete with Ariane, the European programme that launches private commercial satellites.

Air Force officials said the White House and Congress had not granted final approval for the mid-sized rocket, but there had been no major objections and the formal request for proposals from Aerospace companies was expected to be sent out in the next few weeks.

The proposed non-reusable rockets would cost tens of millions of dollars each, but would likely prove a less expensive method of launching satellites than the shuttle.

Officials said delivery of the first rockets could come in 1989 or 1990.

Meanwhile, White House officials say scepticism is growing over whether the Administration should build a replacement orbiter for the Challenger, which was destroyed with its crew of seven on January 28.

A senior Administration official, who asked not to be identified, said that despite President Reagan's general endorsement of a fourth orbiter, "we're all in a show-me attitude".

The cost of a new orbiter would be between \$2.5 and \$4 billion (£1.6 and £2.6 billion).

# South African trade links under pressure

# Doubts bring fall in US investment

From Michael Binyon  
 Washington

The United States is South Africa's largest trading partner. Last year total US investment came to \$1.3 billion (£867 million).

There are still 260 American firms doing business in South Africa, among them the big multi-nationals such as IBM, Kodak, Ford and Dresser. But the political crisis and growing doubts over the country's future have had a

noticeable effect in the past five years.

Total American investment peaked in 1981 at \$2.6 billion — double today's figure — and is now falling rapidly. Last year 39 American firms pulled out and another 14 have left so far this year.

But the Investor Responsibility Research Centre, a study group based here, said that all but four of the firms that have left have been the smaller companies, employing less

than 500 people. They say the general depression in South Africa is a more likely reason for their departure than political opposition to apartheid.

But business has moved more swiftly. In 1984 only three of the top 100 American banks had tough restrictions on loans to South Africa. This year some 27 have banned investment in both the private and public sector.

The move to stop American companies doing business in

South Africa has only just begun to acquire any bite. The House of Representatives has voted for complete disinvestment, and a total trade embargo. But the measure is unlikely to be adopted by the Senate and, even if it were, President Reagan would be sure to veto it.

Until recently the only domestic pressure on American firms came from dissident shareholders and universities that, under pressure from students, were beginning to sell stock in companies represented in South Africa. Indeed in some quarters companies have been applauded for staying, because of their labour and racial policies which, it is said, have encouraged the fight for equal opportunity elsewhere by blacks.

Some 166 of the 260 American firms have now signed the so-called Sullivan Principles. This labour code, named after a Presbyterian minister who suggested it, guarantees blacks in American firms equal opportunities and promotion prospects. The Principles are claimed to have encouraged black trade unionists in South Africa to agitate for better conditions in other companies in South Africa.

The Reagan Administration opposes a pull-out on the grounds that this would hurt the black population more than the whites.

# Messenger held for flat killing

Paris — A part-time messenger, aged 35, has been arrested in connection with the recent wave of brutal murders of old women living alone in Paris (Diana Geddes writes).

Police said that Serge Caillard had admitted stabbing to death Mme Germaine Charbonnier, aged 87, in her flat in the 15th arrondissement, after his girlfriend, who worked as a cleaner for the old woman, became suspicious about the origins of some blouses he had given her. Mme Charbonnier's body was found on June 16.

The police did not think that Caillard had anything to do with any of the other 28 murders of old ladies in their Parisian homes over the past two years.

# Churches plead for death row two

By Nicholas Beeston

Malaysian Pardons Board flatly rejected a final appeal.

If the death sentence is carried out, the two men will be the first Westerners to be executed under Malaysia's stringent drug laws.

● KUALA LUMPUR: The mother of John Kevin Barlow has appealed to the King of Malaysia for clemency (AP reports).

The Malaysian news agency Bernama yesterday quoted an Australian High Commission spokesman here as saying: "We forwarded the letter yesterday. We do not know the contents."

Barlow and Chambers were sentenced to death by the Penang High Court last year for trafficking in 179 grams (6.26 oz) of heroin at Penang Airport on November 9, 1983.

Meanwhile, defence lawyers for the two men have appealed to the Governor of Penang

# British investment already cut back

By Teresa Poole

British companies are likely to find any veto on new investment in South Africa slightly ironic.

For the past few years a number of companies have been trying to limit their exposure and the level of net investment has fallen off. The fall in 1984 is likely to have been repeated last year.

Britain is the largest foreign investor in South Africa and the Department of Trade and Industry estimate of British investment at the end of 1984 was \$6 billion, split equally between direct investment by companies and portfolio holdings of shares. Bank loans were \$6.9 billion but had fallen to \$5.6 billion by the end of 1985.

According to the UK-South

Africa Trade Association, the market value of British investment at \$6 billion has almost halved since 1982 but such figures tend to be misleading.

There has certainly been some disinvestment, but the slump mainly represents the collapse in the rand which has devalued South African assets in sterling terms.

Market values have also declined in the local currency as the political situation has become more unsettled.

Britain is South Africa's third largest trading partner with \$990 million of imports. Fruit and vegetables, the main candidate for sanctions, account for £136 million, industrial raw materials for £274 million, and manufactures for £327 million.

Year	Net outward direct investment by UK companies, excluding oil companies, (DTI figures.)	
	In South Africa £m	In the world £m
1980	232.3	3390.7
1981	291.6	4671.2
1982	227.7	2396.0
1983	236.0	3312.5
1984	131.6*	5819.4

Year	Net earnings from direct investment by UK co's (excluding oil companies), (DTI figures.)	
	In South Africa £m	In the world £m
1980	421.1	2933.4
1981	464.8	3545.7
1982	411.0	3030.9
1983	527.2	4078.4
1984	402.1*	7714.5

\* Including oil companies.

# Terror group claims Paris bomb

From Diana Geddes  
 Paris

A left-wing terrorist group, Black War, has claimed responsibility for the bomb attack against the Paris offices of Rothmans, the cigarette company. No one was hurt and only minor damage caused.

In a letter addressed to Agence France Press, the group, which first appeared in December, said that the attack on Saturday was carried out in protest against "the South African interests of Rothmans and Peter Stuyvesant".

# 38 suspected of Thai fire

Phuket, Thailand (AFP) — Thai authorities were preparing to charge 38 demonstrators with arson after riots on Monday against a tannalium ore processing plant on this resort island, a senior Army officer said.

The authorities also extended for at least two or three days a state of emergency proclaimed on Monday, after sections of the plant were burnt down.

# Talks rejected

Seoul (Reuters) — South Korea and the US-led United Nations Command formally turned down a North Korean call for three-way defence talks.

# Rome pact

Rome — The US and Italian Governments signed an agreement to co-operate in the fight against international terrorism. The US signatory was Mr Edwin Meese, the Attorney-General.

# Cabinet shift

Delhi (AP) — The Indian Prime Minister, Mr Rajiv Gandhi, has moved Mrs Mohsina Kidwai, from the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, where she was in charge of the birth control programme, and appointed her Minister of Transport. She has been replaced by Mr P.V. Narasimha Rao, who also will continue to head the Human Resources Ministry.

# Typhoon hits

Taipei (AP) — Typhoon Nancy, this season's first typhoon, hit southern Taiwan, causing landslides and capsizing a fishing boat.

# Tourists die

Moscow (AFP) — Eleven Soviet tourists, including two 15-year-old youths, froze to death in the Caucasus mountains because of "unpardonable and inexplicable errors" by their guide, the Communist Party daily, Pravda, said. They died on the snow-covered slopes of Fishi mountain, which was shrouded in fog and battered by high winds.

# Dead winner

Redwood City, California (Reuters) — San Mateo County voters overwhelmingly re-elected Brendan Maguire as sheriff even though he had been dead for more than a month, after a court ruling that the election must go ahead.

# Contra head urges more covert aid

From Martha Honey, San Jose

A senior anti-Sandinista leader has called for resumption of United States covert aid to the anti-Government Contras, terming the Congressional view of the humanitarian aid question "a nightmare".

Señor Alfonso Robelo, one of the three leaders of the United Nicaraguan Opposition, denied reports that millions of dollars in humanitarian aid had been pocketed by Contra leaders or used for high living by commanders while troops in the field went short of food, uniforms and medicines.

But he conceded that "there may have been some irregularities and we are looking into it."

He predicted that, despite recent criticism of the Contra leadership, Congress would today approve President Reagan's \$100 million (£66 million) aid package for new humanitarian and military aid.

Señor Robelo was speaking at a press conference here to announce a new unity accord between UNO and the "Southern Opposition Bloc" (BOS), the two main Contra umbrella organizations. Señor Robelo and the BOS leader, Señor Alfredo Cesar, denied the accord was timed to coincide with the Congressional vote or was made possible by the recent resignation of Commander Eden Pastora from BOS.

Señor Pastora, who has opposed unity with UNO, retired from the guerrilla war last month.

# Athens denies blocking peace with Turkey

From Mario Modiano, Athens

Greece yesterday spurned Turkish accusations that it was deliberately obstructing the resolution of problems between the two neighbours and allies.

The charges were made on Monday by Mr Turgut Ozal, the Turkish Prime Minister, who accused Greece of maintaining "sustained hostility" towards Turkey.

Mr Mitsiades Papaioannou, the Greek Government spokesman, said Athens refused to open a dialogue with Mr Ozal who was making it a practice to deal with problems through interviews based on "inaccurate and groundless facts and arguments".

The Turkish Prime Minister argued that Greece had rejected all the olive branches he had extended. Instead, Greece was taking anti-Turkish positions in all international forums, he said.

Mr Papaioannou said the Greek reply was contained in the Prime Minister's speech to Parliament last December. Then, Mr Papaioannou had said Greece would have accepted gladly Turkey's olive branches if they had been sincere and meaningful.

"However, the direct, concrete, and serious threat posed by Turkey's arbitrary claims and provocations against Greece, leave no doubt about Ankara's expansionist designs."

Mr Ozal dismissed the Greek perception of a Turkish military threat as "somewhat artificial and grossly exaggerated".

# £40m fraud in Rockefeller will alleged

New York (Reuters) — The last surviving granddaughter of John Rockefeller senior was the victim of a massive fraud when she granted her estimated \$60 million (£40 million) estate to her second husband, her children alleged yesterday.

The allegation was contained in court papers filed on behalf of the children of Margaret Rockefeller Strong de Cuevas de Larrain, who died last December at the age of 88. The will in question left her estate to her husband, Señor Raimundo de Larrain, a Chilean-born marquis who until recently served as cultural attaché at the Chilean Embassy in Madrid.

In 1977, at the age of 80, she married Señor de Larrain, who was 42 years old. She had previously been married to de Larrain's uncle, George de Cuevas, for 30 years.

Their daughter, Elizabeth de Cuevas, said in papers on file in Manhattan Surrogate Court that her mother had "always appeared to be heavily sedated" from shortly after her marriage to Señor de Larrain until her death.

# Strike at doomed French shipyard

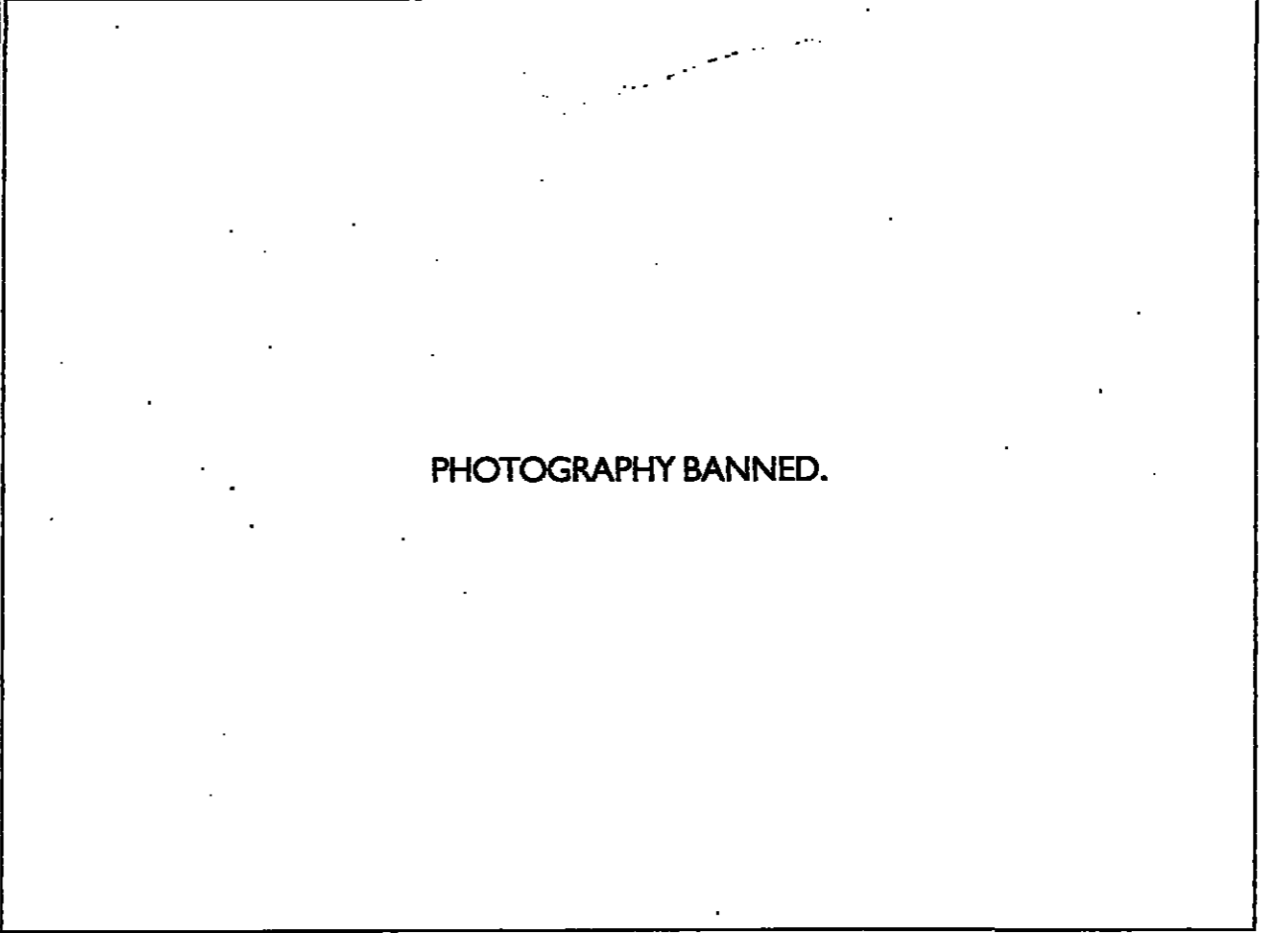
From Diana Geddes  
 Paris

Almost 7,000 shipbuilding workers employed by the Normed group went on a 24-hour strike yesterday to protest against the threatened closure of the group's three shipyards after the Government's announcement that it was no longer willing to bail out the company.

Normed, formed out of a merger in 1983 of shipyards at Dunkirk in the north and La Ciotat and La Seyne in the south, has been suffering both from the slump in the world market and from the fierce competition of the South Koreans and Japanese.

The company, currently receiving more than 300,000 francs (£28,000) a year per worker in government subsidies and aid, has no more orders on its books and no money to meet its debts.

Details of a government plan to help "reconvert" Normed's threatened yards and to find jobs for redundant workers are expected to be announced within the next few days.



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# South Africa. No news is bad news.

The bad news is that terror, suffering and destruction in the black communities grow worse by the hour;

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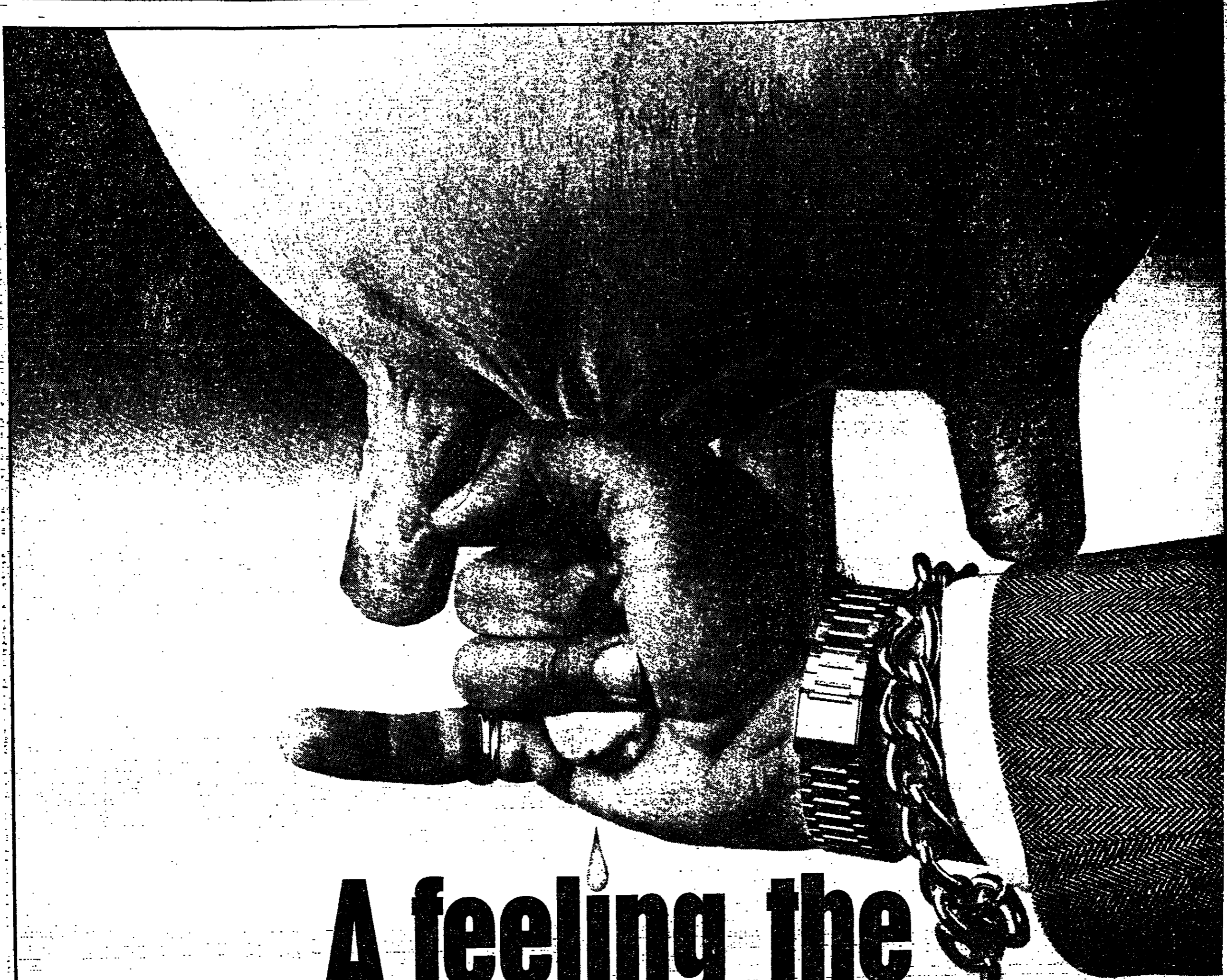
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### García pledges his life to defending Peru democracy

Lima (Reuters) — President García of Peru, facing his most serious crisis after the deaths of at least 150 leftist guerrilla inmates in prison mutinies, has pledged his life to defend Peru against militarization.

"Here the armed forces obey the civil power elected by the people," Señor García said yesterday. "I guarantee this with the force of the people and my own life."

The military died in the revolts that began last week when the police and military stormed the prisons after a tipoff that the guerrillas were storing arms.

The military said 124 Maoist Sendero Luminoso (Shining Path) guerrilla inmates were killed as the authorities regained control of Lurigancho prison and 30 were killed on the island prison of El Frontón. Two inmates were also reported killed at a women's prison.

Unofficial estimates said the final death toll could be as high as 300.

Señor García has ordered a military inquiry into possible excesses committed by troops at Lurigancho.

A left-wing opposition leader, Senator Javier Díez Cáneseo, has accused the military of executing 60 inmates at

Lurigancho after they surrendered.

"The democracy that commits errors and excesses is a democracy that knows how to sanction them to avoid them," Señor García said.

He was speaking at a ceremony yesterday honouring Herr Willy Brandt, the Socialist International president, with Peru's highest honour, the Order of the Sun, at the end of the group's congress.

The Socialist International, which includes the world's main socialist and social democratic parties, welcomed Señor García's statement, saying there was a clear determination "to learn all the facts and to guarantee punishment of all those found responsible for any wrongdoing."

Meanwhile, left-wing guerrillas from the Tigris Amaru Revolutionary Movement, a group uninvolved in the prison revolts, took over the offices of four Western news agencies in Lima yesterday.

The guerrillas, armed with revolvers, entered the offices of Reuter, Agence France Presse, Ansa of Italy and DPA of West Germany, and demanded that employees file a statement calling the military crackdown the bloodiest event in Peruvian history. They left without harming anyone.

IMF debt warning, page 24

### Lima jail deaths mar Socialist congress

Lima (AFP) — The Socialist International 17th congress in Lima was to have been an important event for Peru, but many delegates were distracted by the slaughter in the suppression of the prison rebellions.

Some delegates, albeit a minority, considered President García and his Government were guilty of an atrocity.

The majority adhered to the general theme of the final document which said that now was the time to help Peru's

### Three die in Beverly Hills siege



Police using a metal shield approach the Van Cleef & Arpels jewellery store, Beverly Hills, during a 13-hour siege in which a gunman held five employees hostage. It ended yesterday with three people dead — two of them apparently shot deliberately, police said (Reuters reports).

Two people were also injured in the siege at the store on Rodeo Drive, one of the world's most expensive shopping centres, which ended in a burst of gunfire when the gunman, tied to three of the hostages under a blanket, tried to escape across a car park.

The gunman, identified only as John, was captured with minor injuries but one of the hostages died to him was shot in the chest and died. A police spokesman said he did not know who fired the shots. Inside the shop police found the two other hostages shot dead.

The siege began with a bungled robbery attempt and the shooting took place only 500 yards from where President Reagan's wife, Nancy, was spending the night at the Beverly Wilshire Hotel. An assistant working in a storeroom in the shop said she heard a man shout: "Get your heads down on the floor."

The woman said she sounded an alarm before running with four other employees through a side door into the street.

The gunman made a series of demands in rambling telephone calls, including a demand to be interviewed on television.

### Muldoon fears break in defence relations

The former New Zealand Prime Minister, Sir Robert Muldoon, said yesterday that New Zealand was heading for an inevitable defence relationship breakdown with Britain and America.

He was speaking after the Prime Minister, Mr David Lange, admitted there was little chance of resolving New Zealand's Anzous row with Washington.

Mr Lange is due to meet the US Secretary of State, Mr George Shultz, in Manila on Friday.

Sir Robert, the Opposition spokesman on foreign affairs, said Mr Lange could not make changes to the government's anti-nuclear legislation that would satisfy both Washington and the left wing of the Labour Party.

When anti-nuclear legislation took effect later this year, America would withdraw its defence commitment and Britain would end its defence co-operation with New Zealand.

The proposed laws would ban visits to New Zealand by ships capable of using nuclear power.

Mr Lange said the US could not reach an agreement with New Zealand for fear of sparking a similar ban on nuclear warships in Australia.

The prospects of amending the law to meet British objections now seemed remote.

### US grants attacked by Aquino aides

Manila (Reuters) — Mr George Shultz, the US Secretary of State, praised President Aquino and her Cabinet after arriving here from Brussels yesterday, despite strong criticism by senior Philippine officials of American aid levels.

Mr Shultz said he had been impressed when he was here last month with progress on political, economic and military reforms. More had been done since then, he said, adding: "It is a very encouraging picture."

Mr Shultz and Vice-President Salvador Laurel of the Philippines will today sign a \$200-million (£133 million) grant agreement for agricultural and educational projects. Washington gave \$35 million in food aid a few weeks ago.

But senior Philippine officials complained Washington was not doing enough to help Manila out of the economic messes left by the former president, Mr Ferdinand Marcos.

Mr Jaker Arroyo, the Executive Secretary, said earlier that the \$200 million was not aid, but rent for Clark Air Base and the Subic Bay naval base, the biggest US military installations in the region.

Washington plans to give the Philippines \$500 million in aid this year, much of it in straight grants. The total is \$150 million more than would have gone to the Marcos Government.

### Punjab leader on crisis tour of Amritsar

Amritsar, India (Reuters) — Mr Surjit Singh Barnala, the Punjab Chief Minister, went on a crisis tour of the Sikh holy city Amritsar and nearby towns yesterday to stem a growing rift between Sikhs and the minority Hindus.

Amritsar has been under curfew for the past three days.

At the end of his tour Mr Barnala announced several measures to end wrangling between security forces and the panic migration of Hindus.

Mr Barnala, who was asked yesterday by Mr Rajiv Gandhi, the Prime Minister, to act firmly against extremists, promised Hindu leaders increased security and an all-out war to end extremist attacks.

### Ontario doctors defy fee law

The medical profession in Ontario, Canada's most populous province, has been thrown into turmoil by a curbing on doctors' fees imposed by the provincial legislature.

For two weeks doctors in the province have been holding strikes in protest against a Bill to stop "extra billing": levying a surcharge on patients above the fees that doctors collect from Ontario's medical insurance plan.

The controversial Bill was passed by the legislature in Toronto on Friday and went into effect at the weekend.

But the Ontario Medical Association, representing 17,000 practitioners, vowed to defy the legislation and called on members to continue their walkouts.

There were reports that the doctors might be willing to call off their strike if the province agrees to an early judicial review of the Act's constitutional validity. But Dr Edward Moran, the association's general secretary, said there was "no chance" of a settlement on that basis.

The association has had considerable success in getting doctors to close their surgeries. The response ranges from an estimated 25 per cent in some areas to 75 per cent in others. Most doctors do not "extra bill".

Scattered closures of hospital emergency wards and operating facilities have been causing the health authorities increasing alarm.

The problem of emergency care was spotlighted by the widely-publicized case of a pregnant woman who suffered a miscarriage after being turned away from a hospital east of Toronto.

The Government insists that it has no option but to outlaw "extra billing" since it faces the loss of \$50 million (£25 million) a year in federal transfer payments by allowing it to continue.

A law passed three years ago by the federal Parliament imposes financial penalties on provinces which permit doctors to "extra bill" their patients. A majority of provinces no longer do so.

### Soviet writers told to avoid 'artistic rubbish'

Moscow (AP) — The head of the Soviet Writers' Union — in a speech reflecting recent criticism of some mediocre, officially-sanctioned literature — yesterday warned that "artistic rubbish" must not be allowed to compromise the nation's art.

Mr Georgy M. Markov, the 75-year-old writer who has headed the union since 1971, delivered the warning at the opening of a national writers' congress in the Kremlin in the presence of Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, the Soviet leader.

On Friday Mr Gorbachov held an unusual meeting with Mr Markov and 18 other writers, urging them to produce more "high-level works of art."

According to Tass, Mr Gorbachov made it clear that Soviet literature must not only serve the Party's cause, but must also embrace "perestroika" or reconstruction — the catchword for changes he advocates in the nation's psychology and economy.

### Amnesty plea on Muslim prisoners

By Caroline Moorehead

On September 8 1984, an Indonesian Army sergeant and a security officer entered a small mosque in the port area of Tanjung Priok, north Jakarta, apparently without removing their shoes and smearing gutter water on some posters that they tried to remove.

The act was seen as desecration by local residents. During

has come to be known as the "moderate opposition", inside up chiefly of retired military officers and elder statesmen.

One of these opponents is a Muslim preacher, Haji Andi Mappetahang Fatwa, aged 46, the former chaplain of the Marine Commando Corps and head of the spiritual affairs division of the Jakarta city government.

On December 23, 1985, Haji Fatwa was found guilty of subversion and sentenced to 18 years in prison. His appeal has been rejected.

Haji Fatwa has been repeatedly in trouble with the authorities, and several times imprisoned since 1978, when he began to criticize openly the Government. He has accused officials of corruption, asserted that Muslims are politically terrorized and has opposed the forced adoption of Pancasila, a set of five principles on which the Indonesian Constitution is based.

Many Muslims believe that Pancasila is designed by the Government to replace Islam. It is this refusal to adopt it as the "sole foundation" of Indonesian life that appears to lie behind the arrests of Muslims.

Haji Fatwa claimed that he had been tortured, kicked, beaten and prevented from taking part in Friday prayers while

held in a military detention centre.

According to the Amnesty report, the Muslim prisoners have been consistently ill-treated, denied medical attention and exercise, held incommunicado, interrogated without lawyers present and then denied a fair trial.

In its report, the organization calls for more humane treatment for the prisoners and the release of those who, like Haji Fatwa, have been imprisoned for their non-violent criticism of the regime.

Indonesia: Muslim Prisoners of Conscience. Amnesty International, 5, Roberts Place, London E.C.1. £2.50.



Haji Fatwa: claims of torture while being held in jail.

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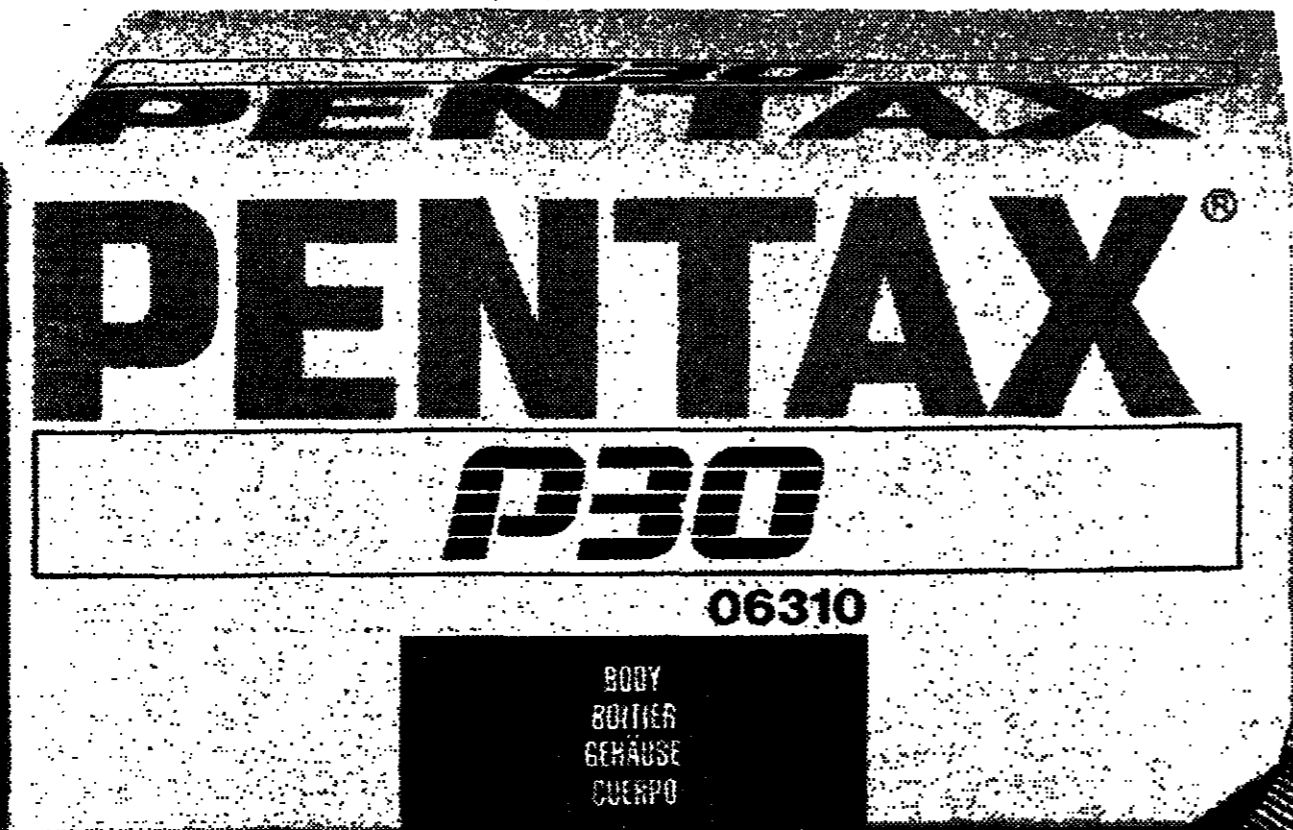
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Anne Edwards commemorates the birth of Margaret Mitchell's definitive Southern novel

Fifty years of Scarlett fever...

An event occurred on June 30, 1936 that was to change the way the world perceived the American Civil War...

days of the Civil War and how Atlanta and the folks there had suffered and survived had been drilled into her as a child...

Margaret Mitchell's maid, Bessie, recorded that within 24 hours of publication of "Miss Peggy's book" the telephone in her Atlanta apartment rang every three minutes until midnight...

So much for background. The story and the characters were next. Most first novels tend to be autobiographical, and Peggy's book would be no exception...

Although Peggy was a curious mixture of emancipated woman and Southern belle, she liked to think of herself as "a product of the Jazz Age..."



Georgia on her mind: Margaret Mitchell at the typewriter for a pre-publication publicity picture in 1936

The Book (as she would eventually refer to it) had been written as a exercise, a therapy, after injuring a leg in a car accident had forced her to remain at home for lengthy periods over a number of years...

Southern fire: Clark Gable and Vivien Leigh in the film version of the book. The book was as much a product of the Jazz Age as it was a product of the South...

her first marriage to Berrien Kinnard "Red" Upshaw, whom she had loved passionately but who had raped and beaten her so severely that she had spent a month in hospital...

either of the men she loved and so she lost them both. Peggy did not know it then, but with those words, she unalterably changed the course of her life...

undeniable clues - RKB (for Red Kinnard and Berrien) on Rhett's handkerchief and Rhett's expulsion from West Point, a fact taken directly from Red's life...

The morning after her husband John Marsh had given her the literary ultimatum to "write a book", Peggy pulled on a pair of baggy overalls, plumped on her green eyeshade...

On a Monday morning in July, only a week after The Book's publication, Peggy received a telephone call from Red Upshaw. "After reading your book I figure you still love me," Upshaw said...

Red Upshaw never did sue Peggy, nor was she to ever see him again. The interest she maintained in his whereabouts until his untimely and shocking death (a suicide leap from a hotel window in Galveston, Texas) indicates that Peggy, like Scarlett, never really stopped loving the man she lost.

Finding a mate can be murder

Whodunnit parties are the latest craze among singles seeking partners in American cities

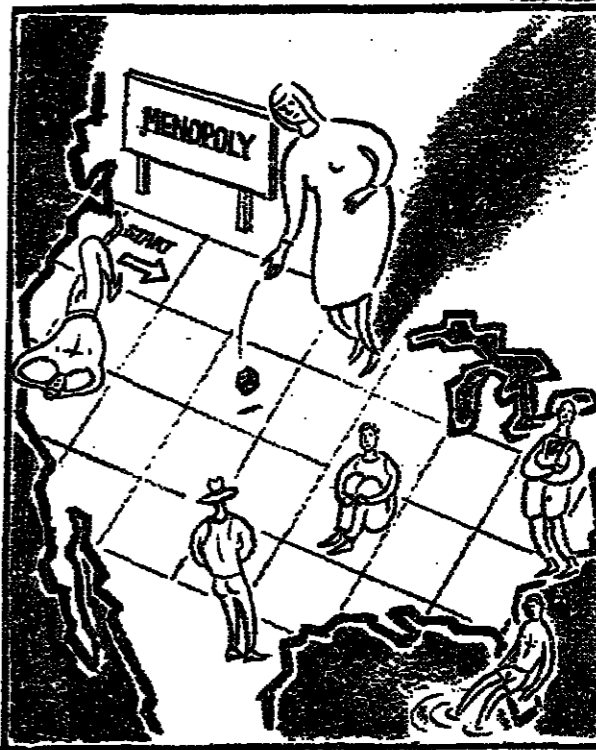
The place is Jason's, a ritzy nightclub in a fashionable part of Boston, Massachusetts. The plot: murder. By invitation only...

"To start with, you might talk about how difficult it is to get clothes that fit, or what it's like sitting in an aeroplane with your legs jammed up against the seat in front..."

Briefing is by a Perry Mason-style video, complete with gravelly voice-over. Then it is out into the jungle of the streets...

For women - who outnumber men overall by 6 per cent - the search for a mate is particularly difficult. New York and other big cities have almost twice as many women as men...

A recent study by a group of Yale sociologists found that college-educated white women who had not married by their 30th birthday had only a 20 per cent chance of marrying afterwards...



"It certainly makes a change from cocktail parties", says organizer Rick Thayer, a 31-year old business lawyer. "Everyone gets tired of meeting the same people and talking about the same things..."

For those brave enough to make the leap into blind dating, Social Solutions Inc will "tailor a strategy for your social success". Groups like the People Network and LunchDates treat the singles problem as just another item on a busy business person's agenda...

The Single Life, with 3,000 members throughout New England, offers do-it-yourself hunting lodge murder dramas, orchestrated by a group called Foul Play...

At the top end of the market are organizations like Gentlepeople, whose members pay up to \$950 (about £612) a year for "dignified" personal introductions to "highly educated, cultured single people"...

The big appeal is to have a purpose for the weekend, rather than just getting away for the sake of getting away...

Personal pages of slick city magazines have taken over what was once considered the seamier end of the market and there are even evening classes in designing successful personal ads...

Sally Dugan

Tomorrow

An inside view

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A fission trip among the graphite rods

The sun was shining, the car park was filling fast. The children kicked ice creams as they trailed up the grassy bank towards the gate...

pylons which carried the power island. Now, I live up the coast, even closer to it. The long public inquiry on the proposal to build a pressurized water reactor (PWR) at Sizewell B...

FIRST PERSON Libby Purves

"Sizewell - Twinned with Chernobyl?"; there was no demonstration, although the Stop Sizewell B Association turned up later with pungently worded leaflets.

That's how strict the regulations are. "My feet set of tingle", said a woman, doubtfully. "Psychological", snapped her husband.

After the visit, I rang Les Bear, the manager of Sizewell A. He says that the confident and friendly staff I met were not picked, but volunteers; and that yes, Chernobyl had certainly "concentrated the mind" of all nuclear power station workers...

The man in front of me warned: "You have to sign a thing to say that if you get disintegrated, they're not responsible". In fact we just strolled in. Once inside the wire, everyone chose a signpost route, passing occasionally to talk to a smiling, laid-back marshal...

Spent fuel travels on a picturesque little railway line. In the gallery above the reactor, a child energetically wagged something labelled "Pile Cap Crane Control". It was locked. A friendly chap called Nigel chatted to a family group...

Down on the pile cap, a shiny black dance floor dotted with round covers representing the tops of the uranium fuel rods, a cocktail party chatter rose from the milling public.

Spent fuel travels in flasks along a picturesque little railway line, its destination Sellafield. On the way out, a chap was busking furiously beside a big white flask, beckoning us close like a pavement trader.

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Chernobyl has changed the world forever. Someone else's familiar old landmark has killed or condemned thousands, and poisoned the land for centuries...

As I came to the humming concrete wilderness of Sizewell, there was nothing to raise anxiety; alert representatives of the Central Electricity Generating Board had removed the witty placard saying...

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Deflated

Yet another brave group of tourists has just safely completed a visit to radioactive, terror-ridden Britain...

Vandalized

Oliver Tambo must regard this as the unacceptable face of Britain. It is the glass fibre bust of Nelson Mandela...

Batman is

The only Tory MP to feature in the latest Penguin book on trivial pursuits is Richard Needham...



I hope someone will explain that they really are puppets

Over to you

I see that Mick Thornton, a Coventry cricketer, scored 38 runs off a single over at the weekend...

PHS

As the White House takes its toughest stand yet, Tom Bethell talks to the man masterminding the new anti-Sandinista campaign



The Contras' target: Sandinista militiamen on guard in Managua. President Reagan, warning of a new Cuba on the US doorstep, wants them to have huge new aid for arms and supplies...

Elliott Abrams, the Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs, is not the customary Republican appointee to a State Department job...

Devoid of philosophy and glancingly acquainted with the history of East-West diplomacy, this diplomatic apprentice will readily take direction from Foreign Service officers armed with their own agenda of prejudices...

Abrams, however, though he has a law degree, is a different kind of political animal in almost all other respects. He is one of an influential group of Americans, mostly Jewish, mostly intellectuals...

And it is true that this new breed - veterans of ideological struggles with the left from their Democrat party days - takes a sharper view of the importance of ideology as a force in international affairs...

Thirty-eight years old, Abrams is, so to speak, the leading young neoconservative, sometimes spoken of as a future Secretary of State...

Reagan's Contra crusader

Faraway communism remains for many a potent faith, especially for those who have lost an earlier faith...

Now, with US aid to the Nicaraguan Contras currently dividing Washington, Abrams, whose State Department responsibilities include Nicaragua, is a key man in a key position...

This week two versions of the bill will be put to a vote. One supported by the Democrats - and sure to pass, if the other fails - would provide humanitarian aid to the Contras immediately...

Not surprisingly, Abrams responded enthusiastically to President Reagan's televised address yesterday, declaring: "The President has drawn the issue squarely - it is that the Soviets are attempting to create a new Cuba..."

None the less, Washington remains split. Before the March vote lobbying in the halls of Congress was almost wholly hostile to the Contras. Political priests roamed the corridors of Congress with their flocks behind them...

Why, then, is Abrams optimistic - though not, he adds quickly, "confident" - the vote will be close?

"In March," he said, "moderate Democrats wanted a 90-day delay. We have had one. Has the Sandinistas' behaviour improved? No, they have invaded Honduras and have driven thousands more from their homes..."

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the world. I would ask Europeans to consider the implications if this region became unstable and we had to worry about our southern border...

Not that European criticism is likely to be a major influence on today's House vote. Abrams points out that European criticism of the US aid to Libya has cases direct to the European Court of Justice...

Indeed, neoconservative commentator Irving Kristol responded to European criticism of the Libya raid by arguing that the US should renegotiate the Nato treaty...

Asked about this, Abrams said he didn't agree with Kristol on Nato. But, he added: "If Americans come to the conclusion that Europeans do not want our defence, or worse, want it but don't want to give us anything in exchange..."

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Henry Plumb

EEC exercise in democracy

A lot of rubbish is being talked about the Single European Act. The anti-EEC lobby has been trying to present it as a giant step towards a European super-state...

The act, agreed by all member state governments at the end of last year, including our own, is a small but significant step in the direction of British objectives in the European Community...

With the UK taking over the presidency of the Council of Ministers in a few days time, the British government's role is now crucial in the process of making the Community efficient, creative and, above all, accountable to the people of Europe...

Ordinary voters have never had much democratic control over the EEC, and not just over the EEC. The sheer volume and complexity of UK and EEC legislation nowadays means that more and more political decisions are being taken by civil servants or ministerial aides...

MEPs do not have much political power, that is certain. It is not properly realized that the European Parliament is denied the chance of exercising real budgetary control over the surplus-creating common agricultural policy...

The Council therefore has more power than the Parliament. The Council therefore has more power than the Parliament. The Council therefore has more power than the Parliament...

moreover... Miles Kington

They'll never walk alone

Now that England are out of the World Cup, perhaps we can devote all our energy to that wedding. Which wedding? Oh, that wedding. Yes, let's do that - at least we know that England has provided both finalists...

So to mark the approach of this momentous occasion, moreover will be printing a daily diary of some of the more exciting things that are happening round the world as this vital fixture draws near...

The furthest flung couple hoping to attend the wedding are Mr and Mrs Mashamoto of Japan, who are simple workers in an electronics factory...

"If that is so," admits Mashamoto, "we may well stay in Japan and watch it on TV. But don't worry, we will send the money to the British tourist industry by post."

Biggest surprise at the wedding? Undoubtedly the little treat that Prince Andrew's navy colleagues are planning for him. Unbeknown to the Falklands hero, his fellow pilots are planning to man a flight of ten helicopters which will arrive at Westminster just after the service has started...

"It's quite unofficial," beams Lieutenant Commander "Nutsy" Slack, "but it should be sensational. We've been through all the rule books and it nowhere specifically says you can't fly inside Westminster Abbey."

The royal bridesmaids, meanwhile, are in training at an England camp somewhere in the country. Team manager Betty Robson says she is very happy with the way things are coming on, and that 12-year-old train-bearer Lady Letitia Wardrobe could be a sensational discovery on the left-hand side...

Lawson's public pay trap

David Smith shows how attempts to buy off the unions could boomerang

Despite its exhortations to reduce the level of pay increases, the government is setting the worst possible example. This year, rises in the public sector are likely to be higher than in private industry.

Inflation's sharp decline to 3 per cent (with every prospect that it will go lower) and high unemployment have not prevented pressure in the public sector for large rises.

It is the old problem. The pay of public employees is held down for a number of years until the gap, relative to the private sector, becomes too much to bear. When this coincides with the run-up to a general election, problems arise.

The government, projecting a more caring image towards public services, clearly wants to avoid strikes by hospital and council workers this winter like those that helped bring down the Callaghan government in 1979.

The difficulty is that higher pay means less money available for actual services. The pay bill for central and local government pay costs £45 billion, just under a third of the £139 billion public spending total. Every 1 per cent on central and local government pay costs £450 million, enough to build and equip about 27 medium-sized hospitals.

MacGregor is less sanguine about public sector pay increases on which the Treasury's influence is indirect, and is very concerned indeed about the impending settlement for local authority manual workers. Last September

they won rises of between 6.7 and 12 per cent with an average of around 8 per cent, which is generally credited with ratcheting up the level of public sector increases.

Last month the local authorities were on the verge of striking a deal with the manual workers for more than 6 per cent, until persuaded by the government to put it off until lower inflation, falling mortgage rates and the Budget tax cuts made themselves felt and could influence the outcome.

The government's message to the local authorities is that one man's pay increase means another man's rate rise. In other words, local authorities will not get the cash from central government to finance excessive awards.

In the government's approach to pay awards in the public sector, there is an element of putting off the civil day. In the case of the

recent pay review awards to doctors, nurses, senior civil servants and the armed forces, the government delayed implementation from April 1 to July 1.

The increases were recommended to be 6.5 per cent for top civil servants and judges, 7.5 per cent for the armed forces, 7.6 per cent for doctors and dentists and 7.8 per cent for nurses. The delay effectively cut them by a quarter. And in the case of top civil servants and judges, the recommended rise was itself scaled back to 4 per cent, giving an effective increase of 3 per cent.

These awards underline the government's problem. The rises were delayed and in two cases scaled down, and although an extra £60 million had to be found out of reserves for the health awards, the impression left was of penny-pinching. The awards

PUBLIC SECTOR PAY AWARDS

Table with 4 columns: Date, Number of workers, Increase%, and Notes. Rows include September 1985 (904,000 local authority manuals, 8.7-12%), November 1985 (140,000 police, 7.5%), November 1985 (40,000 firemen, 7.2 per cent), November 1985 (138,000 miners, 3.8-4.9%), January 1986 (35,000 gas supply workers, 6%), January 1986 (7,000 airport workers, 6%), January 1986 (68,000 British Steel employees, 2%), February 1986 (61,000 local authority builders, 2%), April 1986 (28,000 water supply workers, 5 (+£2)), April 1986 (497,000 civil service staff, 6%), April 1986 (415,000 teachers Eng & Wales, 1.8 +5.5% (interim)), April 1986 (55,000 teachers, Scotland, 5.5 (interim)), April 1986 (78,000 electricity supply, 6.5%), April 1986 (120,000 British Rail, 5.7%), July 1 1986 (111,000 doctors and dentists, 7.5 (actual)), July 1 1986 (483,000 nurses and midwives, 5.9 (7.8 actual)).

†NUM offer withdrawn +3% consolidated. Source: CBI, Laing & Cruickshank.

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# Westminster's other great talking shop

There is nothing new in the idea of any Government holding meetings. Indeed, it seems that the frequency with which government departments need to confer is increasing.

These conferences may involve several departments or representatives of other governments, but whatever their nature, any administration needs a venue where such conferences can be held.

By the early 1970s, it was becoming apparent that the facilities available to Whitehall and Westminster had significant limitations. A new building was needed. The result of that decision, the Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre, is now a reality.

The original brief called for a building with modern facilities, appropriate to a visiting head of state, three conference rooms with full security and all the support services necessary for a government conference.

The brief was handed to the architects, Powell Moya and Partners, in 1975. By April 1982, Bovis Construction had been appointed management contractors and building work had begun. Just over two years later, the whole project was reviewed.

Having been conceived as a Government-sponsored building it was intended that it would be for use only by the Government. Inevitably, this means that the considerable costs of running the building would have to be met from government funds. As costs rose, this became an unacceptable burden so ways to reduce the operating deficit had to be found.

Such a development is far from unusual. There have been many other buildings designed to be funded from taxes or rates where a means has had to be found to reduce the annual deficit. The Government appears to have come to the same conclusion as

**The Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre — purpose-built yet versatile — was opened in Westminster yesterday by the Queen**

many others and recognized that there is a demand for conference space that can be used by companies and associations.

As a result, a firm of consultants was called in to assess the likelihood of letting the building for use by outside organizations. At the same time, they were asked to identify changes that would need to be made and estimate what revenue would be gained from such lettings.

In adopting the recommendations in that report, the Government accepted that changes had to be made to the building. Government conferences tend to be very different in character from those staged by companies and associations. These organizations are likely to use audio-visual aids, whereas politicians and civil servants seem content to rely entirely on the spoken word.

Similarly, exhibitions are often an integral part of association and corporate meetings yet are almost entirely absent from government conferences. These were the main areas in which changes had to be made, although there were others, such as the size of the area to be made available for catering.

In general terms, the differing requirements of the commercial market seem to have been accommodated, although some aspects of the design still show the original brief.

In the main meeting room, the Churchill Auditorium, it is not possible for a speaker to leave the stage unseen by the audience. The only way to

leave the stage is by walking through the auditorium. Chief executives of companies often prefer to leave unseen while their conference is still going on.

The stage itself is small by modern standards, but can be expanded fairly easily. Even so, this means that the room is more suitable for simple business or association meetings rather than for full-blown product launches.

The same is true of the other meeting rooms that will be available for hire. The Whittle and Fleming rooms on the third floor are big and have booths for simultaneous interpretation. All of these rooms are comfortable and their character should help meetings organizers, provided they can be totally blacked-out.

Overall, the architects appear to have been able to accommodate the new demands with a reasonable degree of success.

Ken Clayton



Born out of the need for government conference facilities, the completed centre will cater for outside organizations too

# Capital idea: Built only for meetings

The Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre is entering a very competitive market. The number of buildings within Europe being offered for hire by conference organizers increases every year. Even so, the centre is unusual.

The majority of buildings and rooms that are available for meetings are also used for other purposes. Most of the latest, so-called conference centres, have been designed as multi-purpose venues.

Hotel function rooms are also used for a wide variety of events. The Queen Elizabeth centre is being sold for meetings and nothing else.

The advantage of a dedicated centre for the conference organizer is that the staff should have a better understanding of his or her needs. There should also be less risk of a conference being disturbed by other functions.

But there is one question that will undoubtedly concern meeting organizers. Because the centre is run by the Government, there could be a risk of conflict of interest. Will a conference be cancelled because of a government meeting?

Those responsible for selling the centre are adamant this will never happen. Government departments will have to book the facilities in exactly

the same way as a company or association. If the room is already booked, the Government will have to go elsewhere.

There is one part of the building that will never be available to outside organizations. The Mountbatten Suite on the top floor of the buildings is reserved for major, government-hosted meetings. The casual visitor is not even allowed to see this room, since it is the most secure in the centre.

For the immediate future, however, the sales potential for the centre looks good, given some reservations. The most significant of these is the fact that there are windows in each of the conference rooms. The design team judged windowless conference rooms to be depressing and so they decided to give each room a view.

From the point of view of an organizer of a conference that uses audio visual aids, that aim is acceptable only if the windows can be completely blacked out.

The Churchill Auditorium, which is the main conference room, has a slightly sloping floor and can accommodate up to 750 people, theatre style. The Fleming and Whittle Rooms on the third level, both

have flat floors. The Fleming has a stated capacity of 750 people while the Whittle can accommodate 450, both theatre style.

Organizers of association meetings will appreciate the considerable number of smaller rooms. They are also likely to approve of the remarkable facilities for simultaneous interpretation in all three main meeting rooms.

Question-and-answer sessions can be handled easily because of the sound system that was designed specifically for the centre. This involves a computer which registers the name of anyone wishing to speak from the floor. A chairman can have a monitor and can use it to select the next person to speak.

Microphones can be plugged into permanent sockets around all of the rooms. Alternatively, desks which contain wiring for microphones can be fitted in the rooms, although this will obviously reduce the capacities.

Much of the technology is yet to be proved under full conference conditions, but it does appear to have been well designed for the average business or association meeting.

The same is true of the catering. Pru Leith's company has been brought in to provide catering in the Queen Elizabeth II Centre. At a conference for 150 people, the standard of the food was excellent, even though the organizer had chosen the cheapest menu.

Pru Leith herself is confident that this quality can be maintained even when catering has to be provided for 700, although the organizer will have to accept her advice on the menu.

The centre should be a success. The facilities will be equal to or better than those in most other conference centres. Its position in central London will make it attractive to many organizers. Bookings are already claimed to be "very healthy".

All of which is good news for the capital, which needs even more good conference facilities.

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# How security keeps out the coffee-break spies

Security is becoming increasingly important to the organizers of a wide variety of conferences. Companies need to know that confidential information revealed in a meeting will not be seen by outsiders and many organizations want the reassurance of knowing that their speakers and guests will be safe at a conference.

The Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre is well-equipped to provide reassurance on both of these aspects.

Many facets of the design of the building will never be publicly revealed, but those responsible for selling it are confident that it is one of the safest buildings in Europe.

The ordinary delegate attending a conference enters by the main entrance and is immediately confronted by the security screen. This involves four body scanners of the type now familiar in airports and an X-ray scanner for brief cases.

The screen should mean that the only people inside the building, are those entitled to be there, thus avoiding the situation of a company finding that its business meeting has been attended by its competitors, masquerading as genuine delegates.

Many companies have experienced this problem, particularly in buildings where the coffee area is accessible to outsiders. A competitor siphons with the delegates during a coffee break and simply goes into the conference room with them.

But organizers still face the problem of a dealer, for example, being accompanied by a competitor. This may sound unlikely but it does happen and the only defence an organizer has is to demand positive identification from each delegate.

From the point of view of an organizer who wants to be sure that the information provided in a confer-

ence remains confidential, however, the greatest advantage of the centre is that the public is excluded.

Most conference venues today have public areas and in many instances, a determined infiltrator can pass from there to a position where everything said in the conference can be heard.

Within the Queen Elizabeth centre, however, this should not be possible, first because no-one should be able to enter the building without the proper authorization. Beyond that, each of the rooms has a limited number of entrances and these should be easily controllable if necessary.

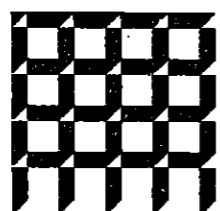
VIP guests or speakers have a separate entrance at the side of the building or can be brought from the underground car park into the VIP lounge area. There can be many reasons that a speaker will prefer to avoid entering the building through the same doors as the audience.

Often, this will involve a long journey through kitchens and back corridors.

Within the conference rooms, simultaneous interpretation services are provided by a system that is permanently wired into the building. By avoiding radio-operated systems, the risk of the programme being picked up outside the building is eliminated.

With total security provided on a day-to-day basis, it seems likely that the centre will be attractive to a variety of companies. Computer and pharmaceutical companies seem to be particularly keen on secure conference venues.

It could be that the security of the building, which was demanded for Government meetings, will also provide the major selling point for the centre.

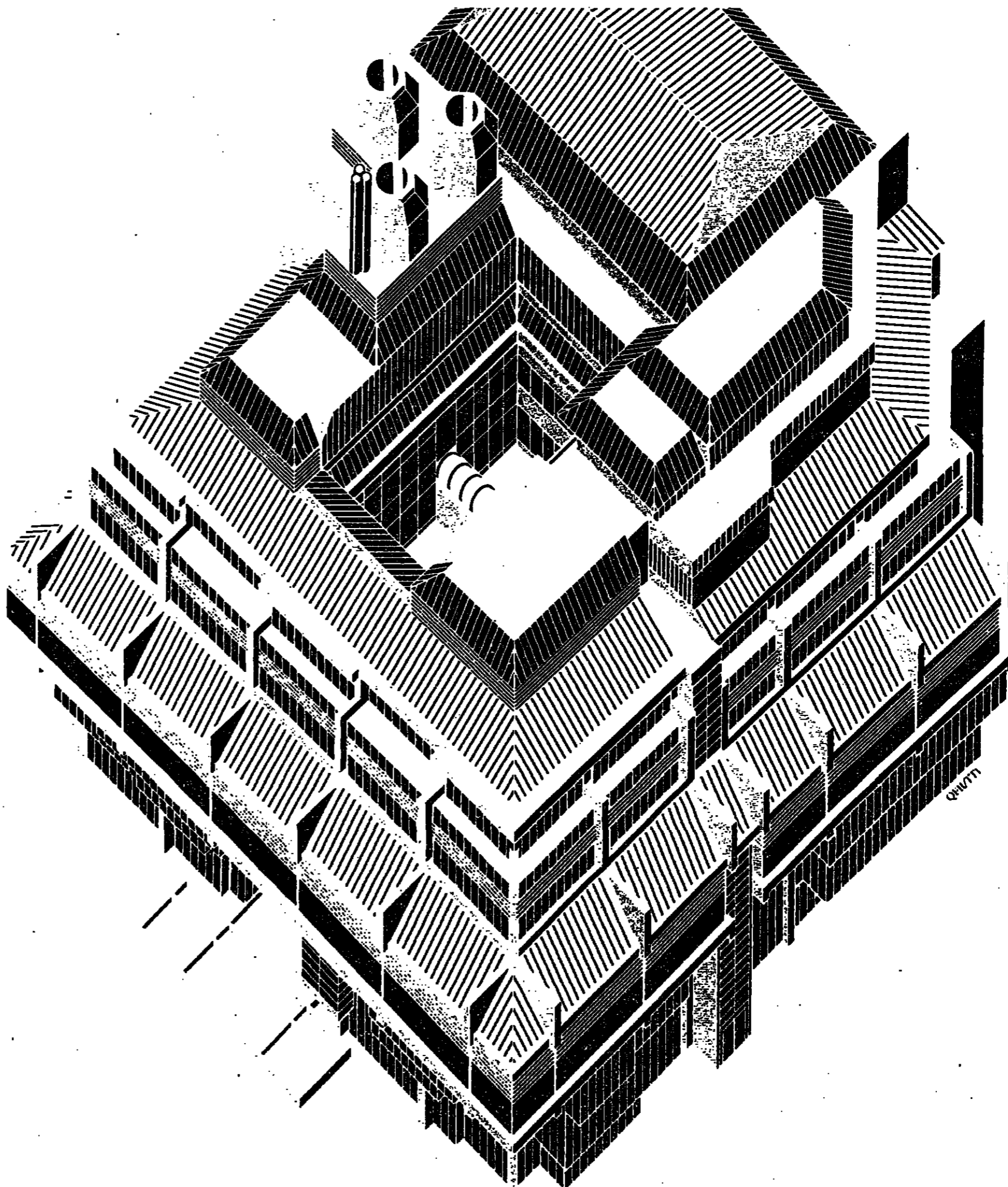


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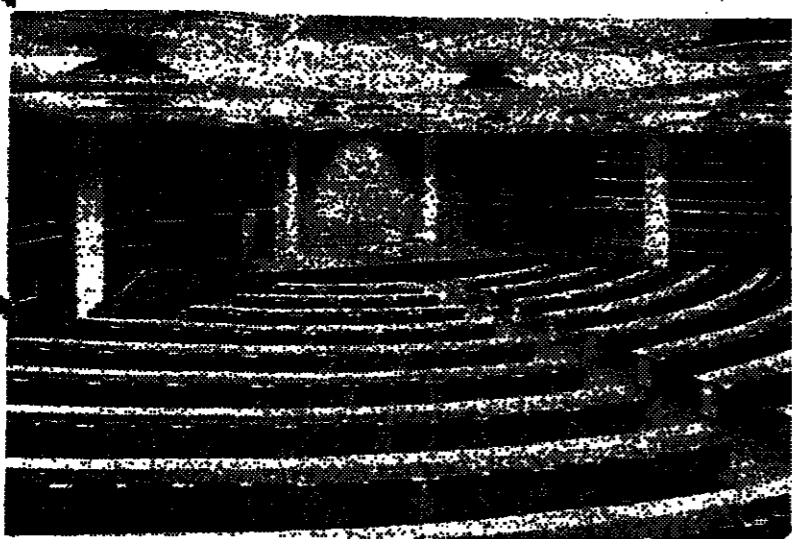




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QUEEN ELIZABETH II CONFERENCE CENTRE/2

idea: Built meetings



Two of the centre's meeting rooms. One of its first uses will be for the UK presidency of the EEC in the second half of this year

A comfort and splendour rarely seen

Those fortunate enough to be using the Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre on July 23 will have a grandstand view of the coming and goings beneath Hawksmoor's West Towers of Westminster Abbey, when Prince Andrew is married to Sarah Ferguson.

They will, however, turn their backs on the main facilities, a high-security meeting place for EEC and other government ministers and prestige private conferences, which is its primary purpose.

The building completes a new Sanctuary Square, which almost works as a concept, despite the scythe of Victoria Street running into Broad Sanctuary and Parliament Square, which prevents its use as a significant urban space.

The centre fills a gap left vacant for 50 years since Westminster Hospital moved to two large blocks in Horseferry Road.

The City of Westminster's latest landmark is, in many ways, a building of contrast. Its huge bulk in concrete, glass and lead is played down with traditional English reticence, while simultaneously asserting itself by making few concessions to its nearest neighbours: the Abbey, and neo-gothic Sanctuary Buildings by George Gilbert Scott; the stalwart Methodist Central

Hall in the French baroque style (although constructed in reinforced concrete, it is clad in stone); and the more delicate presence of Middlesex Guildhall of the same period, in art-nouveau gothic.

As Gordon Cullen writes in the current issue of *The Architectural Review*, "the background music that echoes



Sir Philip Powell: Designer who kept his nerve in a post-modernist atmosphere

solemnly around us - Pomp Circumstance Fanny and The Last Post - is enough to turn the milk in a young mother's breast. To one's surprise and relief the new building displays an intelligent originality of spirit, a refusal to be hypnotized by circumstance.

"Turning to the building

itself, the *Piano Nobile* is raised to a commanding height (the cornice line of its neighbours) and projects out into the theatre of action. It is playful and gains in lightness by appearing to be carried by elegant suspension rods from the main structure. It is a pavilion from which to observe the fluctuating game of pageantry".

Powell Moya and Partners were the designers, headed by Sir Philip Powell. The architects kept their nerve while many contemporaries have been losing theirs to hi-tech or post-modernist fashions.

The practice was formed when it won the international competition to design Churchill Gardens, the 33-acre housing estate in Pimlico, immediately after the Second World War.

Delegates, conference administrators and the press will be accommodated in a series of generous, flowing spaces, perhaps unequalled since the competition of the Royal Festival Hall on the South Bank.

Though exposed concrete is used extensively inside, finished in tooled granite aggregate, milk white and flecked with silver and grey, it is softened everywhere by selected views out - for example, of the Abbey and Square from the Benjamin Britten lounge,

and of the Big Ben clock tower from the restaurant.

The standard of detailing, particularly the joinery, is impressively high and a neutral background of walls, ceilings and carpeted floors gives prominence to special lighting effects and a substantial display of contemporary works of British Art and Craft.



Bernard Throp of Powell Moya and Partners: Project architect

The insertion of single windows in the main conference halls, to provide a visual link with the outside world, can have a curious effect on some people by heightening rather than lessening the feeling of claustrophobia the architects so wanted to avoid.

Half of the building caps a

massive basement, a remnant from the cancelled Colonial Office of the 1950s, which houses a government telephone exchange, so that there are really two structures which float independently on their respective foundations.

The 800 or so rooms which make up the centre are centred on the third-floor main conference level. Here there are the four main meeting places, equipped with simultaneous translation facilities, and a delegates' foyer, which oversees the Churchill Auditorium on the ground and first floors refectory, lounges and press centre.

Above the third floor are the Mountbatten Secretariat and top-security Mountbatten Room on the sixth floor. Beneath them all in the basements are TV and radio studios, workshops, stores and a car park.

Security arrangements became a top priority long after the original designs were drawn up, but for the most part they are dealt with by judicious planning and the detailed specification of reinforced concrete and blast-proof plate glass.

Security remains unobtrusive to allow delegates to get on with the main business in the level of comfort and splendour rarely affordable in Britain today.

Charles Kneivt  
Architecture Correspondent

A miniature gallery of British creativity

For Augustus Welby Pugin, who collaborated with Charles Barry on the rebuilding of the Palace of Westminster after its predecessor was destroyed by fire in 1834, architecture was "decorated construction". This sentiment is not evident in the design of the nearby conference centre, whose architects have chosen instead to fill the interior with various examples of contemporary British arts and crafts.

Many countries now have legislation requiring these commissioning buildings to devote one per cent of the construction cost to works of art that will delight its users.

*Art and Architecture*, which is lobbying for such a system here, held a conference on the subject at the Royal Institute of British Architects last month.

However, ministerial and Treasury budget controls are not quite so generous as one might hope. But through a combination of commissions and loans, the centre is a miniature gallery in itself, with more than 200 works by British artists of the post-1945 generation already on display or proposed.

British manufacturers and suppliers have lited out the place from top to bottom through a policy of positive discrimination exercised by the Crown Suppliers.

Discussions commenced during the early stages of design. Powell Moya and Partners, the architects, put forward various aims and ideas to the Government's Property Services Agency, who invited Dr Wendy Baron, curator of the Government Art Collection (GAC), to collaborate on the venture.

The conference centre panel included Alan Bowness, director of the Tate Gallery, and the art critics John McEwen and John Russell Taylor, the latter of *The Times*.

With the architects, the PSA project manager and Dr Baron, the panel selected work with outside help from, among others, Lesley Greene of the Public Art Development Trust, Isobel Johnstone of the Arts Council of Great Britain and Tony Ford of the Crafts Council.

"Excellence of its kind" was the only common denominat-

ing factor for the final selection.

Pride of place has been given to a Paolozzi carved wood bas-relief on the west wall of the Benjamin Britten Lounge, prompted by musical themes and Britten's music in particular.

Other commission work includes a sand-blasted Royal Coat of Arms and royal crowns on the glass by the main entrance, by Roman Hafer, lettering by Richard Kinderley to commemorate the opening of the building by the Queen yesterday and a silk mosaic wall-hanging, by Lucienne Day, which hangs in the west foyer.

Peter Collingwood made a

macro-gauze wall-hanging to be suspended above the conference-suite entrance.

On a lighter note, Barry Fantoni, *The Times* Diary cartoonist, has depicted conference delegates of many nationalities on a laminated wall-filing on the lift leading to the second-floor refectory. One hopes they will share his sense of humour.

Furniture craftsmanship is well-represented by a suite of dining-room furniture by David Field, in the Abbey Room on the third-floor mezzanine, which was selected as a result of a design competition. Coiled stoneware pots, by Jennifer Jones, decorate the fourth-floor courtyards, and a sculpted head of Mountbatten in the fifth-floor delegates lounge is by Franta Belski.

About 100 works have also been acquired, from drawings by Deanna Petherbridge, Anthony Caro and Stephen Fathing, to a sculpture by William Pye, prints by How-

ard Hodgkin and Victor Pasmore, as well as folios produced by the Royal College of Art, the Slade School and the Contemporary Art Society.

The programme for loans has two main objectives: to supplement and complement the purchases by providing a fuller range of art on view, including work by particular artists beyond the centre's arts budget; and to introduce a measure of flexibility into the overall scheme because many of the loans will be for a fixed period and subject to rotation with other work.

Detailed discussions are still underway with the Tate, the Arts Council and the Henry Moore Foundation, as well as other public and private sources. The GAC is to lend a number of drawings, paintings, sculpture, prints and photographs. The Tate is also lending a study of a pacing lion by Landseer for the main entrance foyer.

The Crown Suppliers claim that the centre is a showcase of British enterprise and quality in its furniture and fittings, provided at a cost of just over £5 million.

The venue has more than 250,000 square feet of carpets and other floor coverings, 400-plus office "workstations" (they used to be called desks), 200 wall clocks, 13,000 pieces of bone china tableware (excluding the VIP dining room), nearly 4,000 conference chairs, 100 louvre blinds and 287 pedestal ashtrays.

The conference tabling is quite original. Dozens of different configurations are possible using the 594 units in seven shapes. Every piece has built-in wiring for simultaneous translation - and folds flat for storage. They were made by Marriott Office Furniture in English ash with dark-green hide inlays.

Anglepoise desk lamps, David Mellor cutlery, Dexion racking, Gent clocks, Remploy laboratory benches, Royal Doulton tableware and Wilton carpets were among more than 40 sub-contracted items. Laid end to end, so to speak, it took six days a week for 14 weeks to move everything in, presenting a massive logistical exercise.

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BUCKINGHAM PALACE June 26 The Right Hon Sir William Heseltine had an audience of the Queen this morning when Her Majesty invested him with the Insignia of a Knight Commander of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath.

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh were received by Her Majesty's Lord Chamberlain at the Greater London (Field Marshal Sir Edwin Bramall) and the Lord Mayor of Westminster (Councillor Mrs Anne Mallinson).

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Memorial service

Lady Renton The Lord Chancellor was represented by the Hon Mary Hogg at a memorial service for Lady Renton held in the Crypt Chapel of the Palace of Westminster yesterday.

Archaeology Monastery remains found

The remains of a monastery belonging to England's only indigenous order have been discovered in the ruins of a 12th-century residential building which has been uncovered beneath a modern glass factory.

Appointments

The following to be new members of the Secondary Examinations Council: Mr J. A. Carter (chairman), Mr J. A. Carter (vice-chairman), Mr J. A. Carter (secretary).

Church news

The Rev R B Edmond, Headmaster, St Christopher's School, Burnham-on-Cree, Oxford, will be the guest speaker at a service at the church of St John the Baptist, Burnham, on Sunday, June 29.

Births, Marriages, Deaths and In Memoriam

ASTLEY BRISTWILE - On June 22nd, to April (nee Youmans) and Pto. a son, Edward. BLOOMER - On June 21st, 1980 at Princess Alexandra Hospital, a daughter, Sarah Jane (nee Macdonald).

OBITUARY DR GODFREY ALLEN Preservation of St Paul's Cathedral

Dr Godfrey Allen, Surveyor to the Fabric of St Paul's Cathedral from 1931 to 1956, died recently. Godfrey Allen also worked on the Goldsmiths' Hall, St Bride's, and other London churches, and received his doctorate from Oxford University for his well-justified conservation of the Sheldonian Theatre, the Old Assmolean building and Radcliffe Camera.

DR R. L. WATERFIELD

Dr Reginald Lawson Waterfield, an internationally known astronomer, died on June 10, aged 85. He was director of the Mars section of the British Astronomical Association from 1931 to 1942.

RIGHT REV E. B. HENDERSON

Admiral Sir William Davis played. His influence was most marked. He was quite without fear and on more than one occasion I told him to take cover when we were receiving the full attention of German shore artillery and aircraft.

MR W. H. WEBSTER

Mr W. H. Webster, CBE, President of the MCC in 1977, died on June 19 after a long illness. "Tagge" Webster, who was educated at Highgate School and Pembroke College, Cambridge, gained most renown as a footballer playing inside forward for Cambridge University, The Corinthians and England.

SIR KENNETH WOOD

Peter J. Schryver writes: As an old colleague of Sir Kenneth Wood I have been asked to point out certain inaccuracies in your obituary notice. There has been no structural failure of a Bison building, and in every case there was full linkage between doors and structural walls.

Receptions

National Association for Material and Child Welfare The Duchess of Kent attended a reception given by the National Association for Material and Child Welfare last night at Guildhall and presented the NACW award of the year to Mother Frances Dominica, of Helen House, Oxford.

Prize winners

Sword of Merit: Acting Pilot Officer J. D. Uren; Hennessy Trophy and Philip Sassoon Memorial Prize: Acting Pilot Officer K. W. Barlow; British Aircraft Corporation Trophy: Flying Officer L. R. Overton; Students' Prize: Pilot Officer Abdul Al Zidjidi, SOAF.

Latest wills

Sir John Molesworth-St Aubyn, of Bodmin, Cornwall, formerly High Sheriff of Cornwall, left estate valued at £31,019 net. Miss Hilda Mabel Matson, of Gossams, Cambridge, left estate valued at £202,442 net.

Merton College Oxford

Merton College is in the process of bringing up to date the Register of Members, last published in 1964. Questionnaires and copies of the annual Record have recently been sent to all members whose addresses are known.

Correction

A. W. Friedlein, who has won an entrance scholarship to Uppingham School, attended Holmwood House, Loxden, Essex, not Holmwood House, as stated on June 18.

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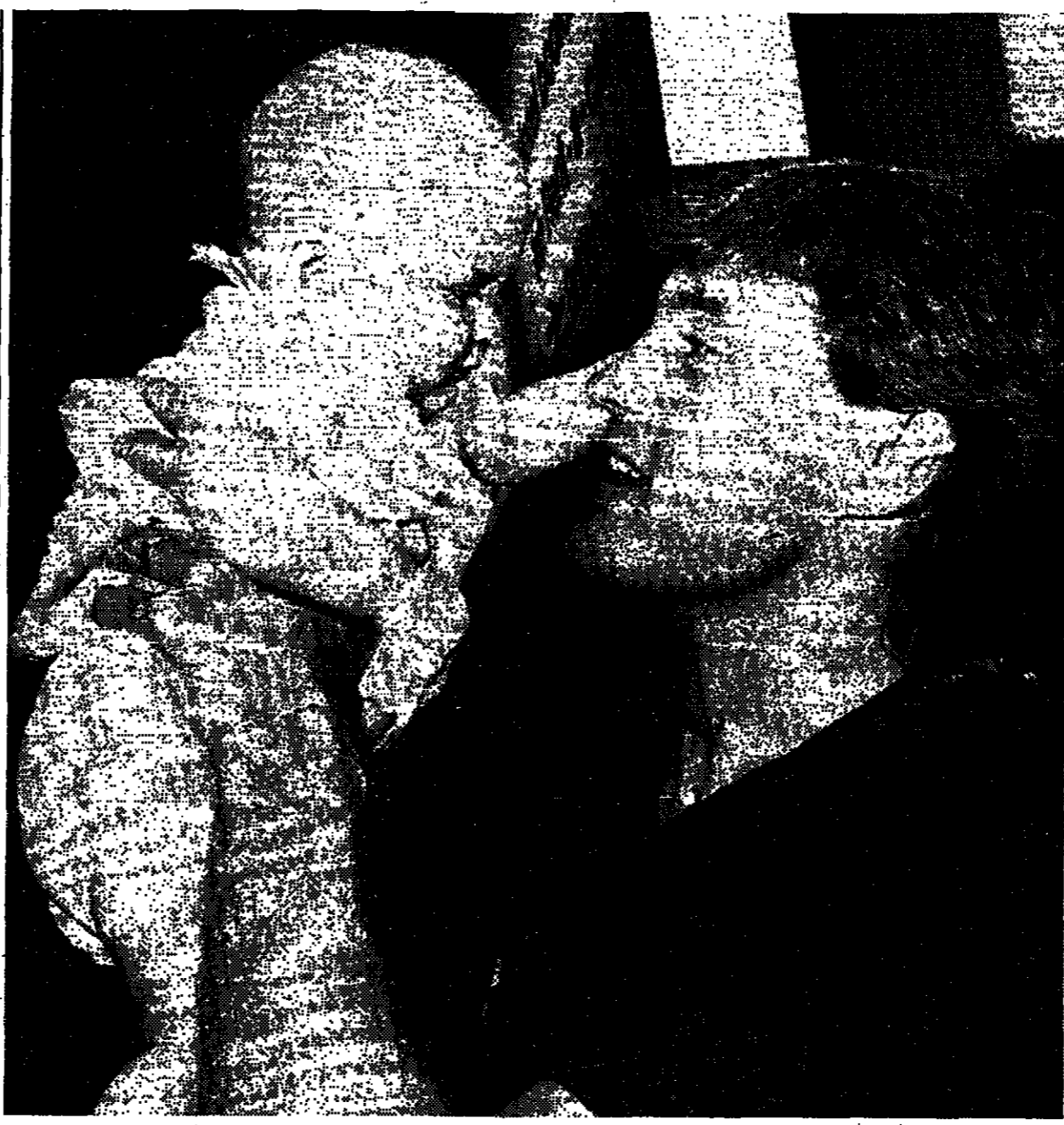
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BMA reverses policy on ban on alcohol ads

By Nicholas Timmins, Social Services Correspondent
The British Medical Association yesterday reversed its policy demanding a total ban on all promotion and advertising of alcohol...



England footballer Glenn Hoddle, just back from Mexico after the World Cup defeat by Argentina, is re-united yesterday with daughter Zara, five months, at Heathrow (Photograph: Peter Triveaux). Why England lost, page 40

Letter from Johannesburg
Healey flies in to banana reception

Bruce Anderson, who is accompanying Denis Healey on his Southern African tour, reports on the Shadow Foreign Secretary's reception in Johannesburg
Denis Healey's South African campaign began on the plane from London to Lusaka. Among fellow passengers was Clement Mwanashiku...

Paisley rouses supporters by talk of civil war

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A few minutes after his outburst he eased his ample frame into the RUC chauffeur-driven armoured car with police who guard him for the short journey to his home...

Ministers to act on doctors jobs crisis

Continued from page 1
however, be attractive to the new service grade. Health authorities are expected to welcome the deal which ultimately will leave them with fewer junior doctors changing jobs regularly.

1970 meeting with Mandela

He still hopes to see Mandela, but it looks extremely unlikely that permission will be granted. If it is not, then Mr Healey will have no reason to visit Cape Town and is therefore unlikely to have talks with the Government.

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events
Royal engagements
The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh visit the Royal Norfolk Show, Norwich, 10.55.

Books - hardback
The Literary Editor's selection of interesting books published this week.
A Woman of No Character, An Autobiography of Mrs Manley, by Fidelis Morgan (Faber, 29.95)

Weather forecast
A depression will be slow-moving to the W of Scotland. A ridge of high pressure will develop over southern and eastern parts of Britain.
6 am to midnight

Weather forecast map showing high and low pressure systems over Europe and the UK. Includes a table for high tides around Britain and a table for the pound exchange rates.

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 17,081
ACROSS:
1 Eastern thinker retreats into the abstract (6)
4 Housewife's back - he's in Hamlet (8)

Anniversaries
Birth: Antonio Gaudí, architect, Reus, Spain, 1852; Walter Nernst, chemist, Nobel laureate 1920, Bremen, Germany, 1864; Robert Erakine Childers, Irish nationalist and author of The Riddle of the Sphinx, London, 1870; Louis, 1st Earl Mountbatten of Burma, Frogmore House, Windsor, 1900; George Orwell, novelist, 1903.

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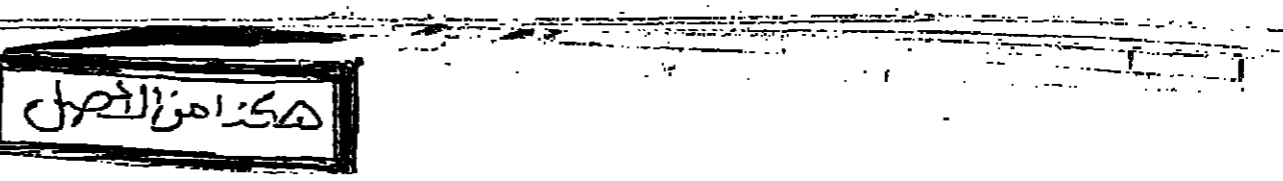
Lighting-up time
London 9.02 pm to 4.15 am
Edinburgh 10.32 pm to 3.25 am
Manchester 10.12 pm to 4.11 am

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Parliament today
Commons (2.30): Debate on Opposition motions on withdrawal of mortgage interest payment protection for the unemployed and on higher and continuing education.
Lords (2.30): Debate on defence estimates.

The pound
Bank
Bank of England 2.24
Bank of Ireland 2.20
Bank of Scotland 2.20
Bank of Wales 2.20

Around Britain
Sunrise: 5.44 am, Sunset: 8.22 pm
Miles into the sea: 12.7 am
Tomorrow: Last quarter, June 29





WALL STREET

New York (Reuters) - Wall Street shares turned mixed in early trading yesterday, with closely-watched averages continuing to decline...

UAL led the active issues, unchanged at 55. US Air Group was down 1/4 to 33 3/4 and Delta fell 1/4 to 42 1/2.

The transportation average was up 1.37 at 784.50, utilities were down 0.49 points at 188.68 and stocks, at 715.42, were up 0.86 points.

Table with columns for stock symbols (e.g., AMR, ASA, Allied Signal) and their corresponding prices and changes.

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

Table showing Sterling spot and forward rates for various locations including New York, London, and Tokyo.

Starting index compared with 1975 was up at 75.8 (day's change 75.9-75.5). Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HFXFX and Ecol. \*Lloyds Bank International

MONEY MARKETS AND GOLD

Table detailing money market rates and gold prices, including Treasury bills and gold spot prices.

EURO MONEY DEPOSITS

Table listing Euro money deposit rates for various currencies and terms.

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

Table showing London financial futures prices for three-month sterling and other instruments.

THE TIMES UNIT TRUST INFORMATION SERVICE

Large table providing detailed information for various unit trusts, including names, managers, and performance metrics.

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

The dollar was firmer in thin trade yesterday. By mid-afternoon in New York, the dollar was quoted at DM2.2260, up from DM2.2220 late in London trading.

Table showing Dollar Spot Rates for various countries like Ireland, Singapore, and Malaysia.

Table showing Other Sterling Rates for various currencies like Argentine austral, Australian dollar, and Canadian dollar.

Table showing Gold prices in London, including gold spot and various gold bars.

Table showing ECGD (Export Credits Guarantee Department) rates for various countries.

Table showing Lloyds Bank International rates for various currencies.

COMMODITIES

Table showing London Commodity Exchange prices for various commodities like sugar, cocoa, and coffee.

Table showing Meat and Livestock Commission prices for various types of meat.

Table showing London Grain Futures prices for wheat, barley, and other grains.

Table showing London Metal Futures prices for various metals like lead, zinc, and tin.

Table showing Investment Trusts prices for various trusts like High Growth, Low Growth, and Income.

Table showing Financial Trusts prices for various trusts like Income, Growth, and Property.

Table showing Canadian Prices for various commodities like oil, wheat, and other goods.

Table showing US Treasury Bonds prices for various maturities.

Table showing US Government Securities prices for various types of securities.

Table showing US Corporate Bonds prices for various companies.

Table showing US Stocks prices for various companies.

Table showing US Futures prices for various commodities.

Table showing US Options prices for various stocks.

Table showing US Derivatives prices for various instruments.

Table showing US Real Estate prices for various properties.

Table showing US Art and Collectibles prices for various items.

Table showing US Insurance prices for various policies.

Table showing US Services prices for various industries.

Table showing US Miscellaneous prices for various goods.

TEMPUS

Racal optimistic despite slump

Although they were much as expected, Racal Electronics' preliminary results announced yesterday do not make enjoyable reading. The pretax profit was down nearly a third from £132 million to £90 million for the year to March 31, despite the inclusion of an £8.5 million gain on the sale of its oil and gas interests.

In addition there was an extraordinary charge of £14.2 million for closure costs, including redundancy. A £45 million drop in profits from Data Communications in the United States, losses of £12.2 million in the developing cellular radio business and a £12 million jump in interest charges were the main culprits.

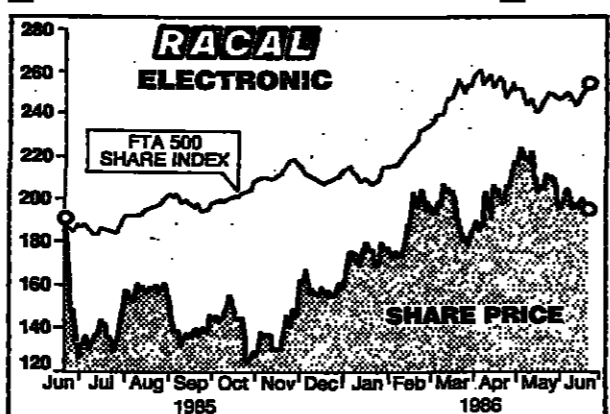
The optimistic statement accompanying these dismal results dwells on the rosier aspects of 1986/7.

Rationalization and cost reduction programmes introduced last autumn should turn round the performance of the data communications companies in the US. At Racal-Milgo in Florida, the order book is 60 per cent ahead of last year at \$236 million.

The directors forecast that cellular radio's £12 million loss will be transformed into a £5 million profit. With 37,000 subscribers making 17 million calls a week, Racal reckons it has close to 50 per cent of the market it shares with British Telecom, rather than the 40 per cent originally targeted. It began to break-even last March, and is connecting between 700 and 800 new subscribers every week.

There is some relief in sight for the strained balance sheet, where the debt/equity ratio at the financial year end was 57 per cent, having peaked during 1985/6 at 65 per cent.

The interest charge attributable to cellular radio will increase by £5 million to £12 million, but for the group as a whole, positive cash flows



and lower interest rates mean that the total interest charge should fall this year.

Despite the optimistic tone of the statement, Racal will be doing well in 1986/7 if it matches its 1984/5 performance. Pretax profit of £130 million will put the shares on a prospective multiple of 14.

Tibbett & Britten

It is not just the names that are changing in the high street. Stock rooms are fast disappearing, in favour of increased selling space.

Companies like Christian Salvensen have been quick to take up the challenge to provide fast and efficient daily distribution of food to high street shops from depots. Tibbett & Britten, which is coming to the stock market, does the same with clothes.

Marks and Spencer accounted for 60 per cent of Tibbett & Britten sales of £32.6 million last year. The proportion is likely to rise soon as the company is equipping its first regional distribution centre for Marks and Spencer which will contribute extra annual sales of £6 million from September.

Tibbett & Britten's other customers include Asda, Mothercare and Debenhams. Though Marks and Spencer will account for well over 60 per cent of group sales in the

short term, the company hopes that other retail customers will become increasingly important.

The risk of losing the Marks and Spencer business entirely is probably small but the company could be vulnerable to squeezed margins.

Tibbett & Britten is raising £6.9 million after expenses of £600,000 as part of the flotation. This money will be used to equip the first of the two Marks and Spencer distribution centres.

At 120p a share the company is capitalized at £31.5 million. On forecast profits of £3.25 million the prospective multiple is 13.4, which represents a small discount to Christian Salvensen.

The company's directors have turned £300,000 into £2.3 million, which they are realizing now, plus £15.8 million in their remaining half share of the company since they bought it from Unilever in 1984. New investors may not do quite as well — but they should find the investment in a growing market rewarding.

Siebe/APV

The success last week of the FH Tomkins bid for Pegler-Hattersley gives some pertinent pointers to the likely outcome of Siebe's £212.7 million bid for APV Holdings which closes on Friday.

Investors are again being asked to choose between the philosophy of an ambitious mini-conglomerate and that of a specialized engineering group which is recovering after several lean years.

This time the aggressor is comfortably larger than the target and is keenly arguing about industrial synergy — something that Tomkins was unconcerned about. Siebe's managing director, Barrie Stephens, is less well known to the City than his APV counterparts, but has a fine record.

On the other hand, APV's new management is clearly coming up with the goods rather sooner than Pegler-Hattersley. After profits doubled in 1985, an 80 per cent jump to at least £27 million is forecast for this year, plus a 53 per cent dividend increase.

Before the bid most analysts were comfortably penciling in £19 million, with an occasional £22 million. Had they been misdirected, or did the company not realize how well things were going?

With Siebe at 955p, the convertible preference share offer is worth 671p, just 1p better than the cash alternative. APV, at 671p, is on a prospective p/e ratio of 13.

Analysts both for and against the bid agree that growth next year is likely to slow down, with profits of between £31 million and £32 million.

Convertible preference shares are unlikely to compete now that the paper offer is in line with the cash. APV's shares stood at 350p before the bid and are set to fall back significantly if it fails.

If Siebe wins, the sins of the previous management will have been visited on the present team at APV. But shareholders are now seeing a share price which would have been unthinkable just months ago. On Friday we will know if the old has again lost out to the new. Selling in the market is a persuasive option.

Mexico 'must reform economy'

By Bailey Morris Washington

Mr Paul Volcker, chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, warned Mexico to push through internal reforms indicating a substantial change in the direction of its economy, to demonstrate its intention to service its \$97 billion debt.

Once this is done, creditor nations, led by the United States, "will provide forceful financial support to give them breathing room to restore growth in 1987 and 1988," Mr Volcker said.

Senior Gustavo Petricoli, the new Mexican finance minister, however, said: "We cannot go on maintaining a strict observation of the obligations we have contracted," echoing earlier statements by President Miguel de la Madrid that Mexico might limit its payments to its paying capacity.

Senior Petricoli is expected in Washington to talk with the IMF next week.

Mr Volcker said that over the short run the resolution of Mexico's debt problem will require "a lot of effort by the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund, commercial banks and government."

At the same time, Mr Volcker admitted that despite the worsening debt crisis in some countries, the Reagan Administration, because of severe budget restraints caused by growing US deficits, could not support a general capital increase for the banks.

The challenge facing Mr Barber Conable Junior, the incoming president of the World Bank, is to move forward with growth programmes involving some risk to demonstrate to Western governments that they should increase the bank's resources.

Then, Mr Volcker said, he felt sure the US and other Western governments would live up to their agreement in Tokyo to support a general capital increase for the bank.

Mr Volcker also joined in the rising chorus of voices urging the Japanese to constructively recycle their huge \$50 billion trade surplus with the rest of the world by increasing their development assistance to Third World countries.

It was also learned that negotiations are underway at the bank to increase Japan's voting power in the IMF and World Bank.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

BT slips after warning on growth prospects

By Michael Clark

British Telecom — labelled "The People's Share" when it came to market in 1984 — is losing some of its appeal in the City in the face of increasing competition from its main rival, Mercury.

Today, a weighty circular on BT from Smith New Court will be dropping on the desks of fund managers, warning them that the shares have lost a lot of their premium rating.

Mr Bill Dixon, an analyst at Smith New Court, the market-maker, is scathing about the company and its prospects. He

heard about Mr Dixon's findings and lost an early lead, to close 2p lighter at 230p.

The rest of the equity market continued to mark time with most investors' money still tied up in the Morgan Grenfell and Thames Television flotations.

Morgan Grenfell says it has issued over 80,000 application forms in connection with the issue. Dealings are due to start tomorrow. With turnover down to a trickle, dealers were left to bide their time.

The FT index of top 30 shares ended 1.2 up at 1,339.4, following Monday's shakeout. The broader-based FT-SE 100 fared little better, closing 2.1 higher at 1,624.9.

But the gilt-edged market was looking a lot more confident, sporting gains of up to 1/2p, with investors still looking for an early cut in bank base rates.

GEC responded to wishful thinking on the part of market speculators with a 1 1/2p rise to 208p. They are still drawing of a mega-bid from BTR, unchanged at 318p.

Marketmen are also saying that International Signal & Control will use some of the proceeds from its recent rights issue to launch that long-awaited bid for United Scientific Holdings, steady at 133p.

USH is expected to announce orders worth £50 million for its Scorpion armoured car at the Army Exhibition. There are also reports that talks regarding a £250 million order for armoured cars from Indonesia may have started again.

In stores, Woolworth tumbled 20p to 745p on nervous selling by the arbitrageurs. There are now fears in the market that Dixons' £1,900 million bid will fail. If so, the downside on Woolworth's share price could be another 200p, claim marketmen.

The shares of Cadbury

Schweppes have been enjoying solid American support in recent months. Now the group reveals that a total of 27.77 million shares — 19.3 per cent of the issued capital — has been registered with Morgan Guaranty, the New York broking house, in the form of American Depositary Receipts. Cadbury responded with a 5p rise to 181p and now stands just 1 1/2p shy of its peak.

Overnight in New York, the Americans were big buyers of some of the other British stocks with an ADR facility

Stockbroker Mr Richard Ratner and businessman Mr Harry Davies are offering £23 a share (a total of £1.6 million) for Owen & Robinson, the loss-making Yorkshire jewellery retailer. Marked up at £8, the dormant shares jumped to £30 on the offer. Mr Ratner and Mr Davies have already secured 68 per cent of the equity. Expect them to subdivide the shares and inject more assets.

thanks to the weaker dollar. About 2.2 million shares in Reuters, the international news agency and financial services group, changed hands. The price finished in London 1 1/2p dearer at a new high of 498p.

There was also support for Beechams, 2p firmer at 398p, with investors still hoping for a bid shortly. Our own ICI — down 5p at 969p — and one of the big US drug manufacturers have been tipped as likely suitors.

CE Heath, the insurance broker, closed off the bottom after issuing a statement playing down possible legal action in connection with losses at one of its US subsidiaries.

The group believes it can successfully defend the action. The shares finished 1 1/2p down at 529p, after 515p.

COMPANY NEWS

FAIRBRIAR: Year to March 31, 1986. Dividend 2.25p, payable Aug 26. Turnover £9.14 million (£7.38 million). Pretax profit £3.31 million (£2.16 million). Earnings per share 11.61p (7.13p).

WINTREST: Year to March 31, 1986. Total dividend 3.4p (4.8p). Pretax profit £3.35 million (£1.63 million). Earnings per share 20.48p (16.61p).

CROWN INTERNATIONAL PRODUCTIONS: Interim dividend 1.05p (same) for six months to March 31, 1986. Sales £2.07 million (£1.04 million). Pretax profit £228,000 (£202,000). Earnings per share 2.5p (3.3p).

JARVIS PORTER GROUP: Final dividend, 2p (as forecast) for the year to Feb. 28, 1986. Turnover £22.39 million (£18.89 million). Pretax profit £2.52 million (£2.29 million).

More company news, page 24

RECENT ISSUES

Table with columns: EQUITIES, RIGHTS ISSUES, and various stock prices and changes.

Dixons OFFER FOR WOOLWORTH. DIXONS INCREASED OFFER WORTH 816.9p. WOOLWORTH SHARE PRICE 745.0p. DIXONS BID HIGHER BY 71.9p. Dixons increased offer is final and will close at 1.00 p.m. on 2nd July, 1986.

Time to go offshore. Foreign & Colonial Reserve Asset Fund to protect your wealth. The Foreign & Colonial Reserve Asset Fund is the ideal vehicle for the international investor, offering a comprehensive choice of cash, bond and equity funds with good liquidity.

Department of Energy 'should be abolished'

By David Young, Energy Correspondent

The Department of Energy should be abolished after the privatization of British Gas and all energy industries...

French nuclear power programme is heavily subsidized by the state.

The reports claims that nuclear energy is still probably the cheapest and safest means of serving the country's energy needs.

The IOD suggests that government involvement in the nuclear industry should be confined to granting or withholding planning permission...

It declares: "The Chernobyl disaster should not be allowed to damage the British nuclear programme on the principle of guilt by association."

However, the IOD's case is weakened by the fact that it compares British electricity prices - which it says are high because they are produced by a state-run generating authority - and those of France, which are low because the

The monopoly of the National Nuclear Corporation in the design and construction of new nuclear power stations should be removed.

A privatized Central Electricity Generating Board should be free to import coal from any source and companies generating their own power should be free to sell it to neighbouring industries or towns.

Any private enterprise which wants to set up a nuclear power station should be free to do so and electricity should be supplied to the national grid by competing enterprises.

Taxation on North Sea oil fields should be reformed and all taxes of fuels should eventually be replaced by some form of levy which reflects the degree of congestion caused by the using vehicles.

The reports adds that the remaining Government holding in BP should be sold.

It says: "Whereas there have been serious errors of post-war policy towards coal, nuclear power, electricity and gas, costing the taxpayer and consumer billions of pounds, the oil industry has worked efficiently and economically, contributing large sums to the Exchequer. It is not a coincidence that the oil industry, unlike other energy industries, has been mostly private and decentralized."

Peruvian warning on \$750m IMF debt

Lima, (Reuters) - Peru does not foresee paying the International Monetary Fund all the \$750 million it owes during the next three years...

"Without heating around the bush, we want to say that we are doubtless not in a position to pay the IMF what we owe it during the next three years," he told the Socialist International conference.

The Peruvian government has suspended payments due to foreign creditors since President Alan Garcia took office last July, with a pledge to limit debt repayments to 10 per cent of export earnings.

Peru has only paid the IMF \$35.5 million this year, and needs to clear about \$186 million before August 15 to avoid losing its borrowing rights, Peruvian finance officials said.

A loss of borrowing rights, widely considered a key measure of credit-worthiness, could scale back loans from the World Bank.

APPOINTMENTS

British Olivetti: Mr David Maroni has been made a director.

Mott, Hay & Anderson: Mr Peter J. Clayton becomes a director and will join the main board of the group.

Midland Bank: Mr Ian Paterson has been appointed chief executive, retail banking sector from September 1, and will also become a director of the bank from that date.

Fletcher King: Mr Richard Goode and Mr Murray Keith have been appointed associate partners, and Mr John Campbell has been made an equity partner.

Great Portland Estates: Mr Michael Edmondson has been made an executive director, effective August 1.

WanderWorld: Mr Dennis Spiegel has been appointed to the board as managing director, Themepark Operations.

Table with multiple columns: 1986 High/Low, Company, Price, Change, etc. Includes sections for UNLISTED SECURITIES and COMPANY NEWS.

LOCKHEED CORPORATION advertisement. Includes text: "This advertisement is issued in compliance with the requirements of the Council of the Stock Exchange." and "Authorized 100,000,000 shares of Common Stock of Lockheed Corporation".

BASE LENDING RATES table. Lists various banks and their rates: ABN 10.00%, Adam & Company 10.00%, BCCI 10.00%, Citibank Savings 10.75%, Consolidated Crds. 10.00%, Continental Trust 10.00%, Co-operative Bank 10.00%, C. Home & Co. 10.00%, Hong Kong & Shanghai 10.00%, Lloyds Bank 10.00%, Nat Westminster 10.00%, Royal Bank of Scotland 10.00%, TSB 10.00%, Citibank NA 10.00%.

COMPANY NEWS section. Includes: HEBIT PRECISION ENGINEERING: Six months to March 31, 1986, interim dividend 0.7p (0.6p), payable July 30. YARROW: CAP Group's recommended offer has been accepted for 3.41 million ordinary shares (85.3 per cent) and has been declared unconditional as to acceptances. It will remain open until further notice.

ICGas advertisement. Features large text: "OUR PROFITS GROWTH OVER THE PAST FIVE YEARS CAME FROM A BALANCE OF ENERGY INTERESTS - Natural Gas, Oil, Electricity, and Calor Gas." Includes a bar chart showing results from 1982 to 1986. Results in brief: Year ended 31st March 1986. Profit before tax and minorities £89.4m (+11.6%), Net profit attributable £50.7m (+20%), Earnings per stock unit 38.5p (+18.7%), Dividends per stock unit 16.75p (+15.5%).

European Law Report Luxembourg. Title: "Wives discriminated against in invalidity care allowance". Article by Drake v Chief Adjudication Officer. Case 150/85. Before: K. Bahlsen, President of the Fourth Chamber, and Judges T. Koopmans, G. Bosco, T. F. O'Higgins and F. A. Schackweiler. Advocate General G. F. Mancini (Opinion given April 22, 1986). [Judgment given June 24]. Invalid care allowance formed part of a statutory invalidity scheme which fell within the scope of Council Directive No 79/7 despite the fact that it was paid to a third party and not directly to the disabled person. Mrs Jacqueline Drake was married and lived with her husband. Over a number of years she had held a variety of full-time and part-time jobs. In June 1984 her mother, who was severely disabled, came to live with her. Mrs Drake thereupon gave up her work in order to look after her mother. Section 37(1) of the Social Security Act 1975 provided for the payment of an invalid care allowance where, inter alia, (a) the applicant was regularly and substantially engaged in caring for a severely disabled person; and (b) the applicant was not gainfully employed. Under section 37(3) the invalid care allowance was not paid to any person who was under the age of 16 or was engaged in full-time education; to a married woman living with or maintained by her husband or to a woman when she and a man to whom she was not married were living together as husband and wife. On February 5, 1985 Mrs Drake applied for the allowance in respect of the care provided by her to her mother. The adjudication officer stated that under Section 37(3)(a)(i) the benefit was not payable to a married woman residing with her husband and he referred the claim to a social security tribunal. The tribunal held that the rule constituted discrimination on the ground of sex contrary to Council Directive No 79/7/EEC on the progressive implementation of the principle of equal treatment for men and women in matters of social security (OJ No L6 of January 10, 1979, p.24). The adjudication officer appealed against that decision to the Chief Social Security Commissioner who referred the matter to the Court of Justice of the European Communities for a preliminary ruling. In its judgment the European Court of Justice held: By his first question: the commissioner asked whether the right to the payment of a benefit to a person who cared for a disabled person constituted part of a statutory scheme providing protection against the risk of invalidity to which Directive No 79/7 applied under article 3(1)(a). According to article 3(1), the Directive applied to statutory schemes providing protection against, inter alia, the risk of invalidity and social assistance in so far as it was intended to supplement or replace the invalidity scheme. In order to fall within the scope of the Directive, therefore, a benefit had to constitute the whole or part of a statutory scheme providing protection against one of the specified risks or a form of social assistance having the same objective. Under article 2, the term "working population", which determined the scope of the directive, was defined broadly to include "self-employed persons, workers and self-employed persons whose activity is interrupted by illness, accident or involuntary unemployment and persons seeking employment and retired or invalided workers and self-employed persons." Article 2 of the Directive was based on the idea that a person whose work had been interrupted by one of the risks referred to in article 3 belonged to the working population. That was the case of Mrs Drake who had given up work solely because of one of the risks listed in article 3, namely the invalidity of her mother. She was therefore to be regarded as a member of the working population for the purposes of the Directive. It was possible for the member states to provide protection against the consequences of the risk of invalidity in various ways. For example, a member state might, as the United Kingdom had done, provide for two separate allowances, one payable to the disabled person himself and the other payable to the person who provided care. In order, therefore, to ensure that the progressive implementation of the principle of equal treatment referred to in article 1 of the Directive was carried out in a harmonious manner throughout the Community, article 3(1) was to be interpreted as including any benefit which in a broad sense formed part of one of the statutory schemes referred to or a social assistance provision intended to supplement or replace such a scheme. The payment of the benefit to the person who provided care was still dependent upon the existence of a situation of invalidity in as much as such a situation was a condition sine qua non for its payment, as had been admitted by the adjudication officer during the oral procedure. There was a clear economic link between the benefit and the disabled person, since the disabled person derived an advantage from the fact that an allowance was paid to the person caring for him. It followed that the fact that the benefit which formed part of the statutory invalidity scheme was paid to a third party and not directly to the disabled person did not place it outside the scope of Directive No 79/7. Otherwise, as the Commission had emphasized in its observations, it would be possible, by making formal changes to existing benefit covered by the Directive, to remove them from its scope. Article 4(1) of Directive No 79/7 provided that the implementation of the principle of equal treatment, with regard in particular to the scope of schemes and the conditions of access to them, meant that there should be no discrimination whatsoever on the ground of sex. That provision embodied the aim of the Directive, set out in article 1, that was to see the implementation, in the field of social security, of the principle of equal treatment, a principle which the Court had frequently held to be fundamental. It followed that a national provision such as that at issue before the Chief Social Security Commissioner was contrary to the aim of the Directive, which under article 189 of the Treaty was binding on the member states as to its result to be achieved. On those grounds, the European Court (Fourth Chamber) ruled: 1 A benefit provided by a member state and paid to a person caring for a disabled person formed part of a statutory scheme providing protection against invalidity which was covered by Directive No 79/7/EEC pursuant to article 3(1)(a) of the Directive. 2 Discrimination on the ground of sex contrary to article 4(1) of Directive No 79/7/EEC arose where legislation provided that a benefit which formed part of one of the statutory schemes referred to in article 3(1) of the Directive was not payable to a married woman who lived with or was maintained by her husband although it was payable in corresponding circumstances to a married man.



David Smith examines the prospects of maintaining industrial growth

Mixed signals on UK recovery

Doubts about continued growth in Britain's economy which began with a run of poor output and unemployment figures over the winter have refused to go away.

Mr Nigel Lawson, Chancellor of the Exchequer, admitted on Friday that growth this year was likely to fall below the official 3 per cent forecast, but he said that the economy would put in a stronger performance next year than the 2.5 per cent first-half growth contained in the Budget forecast.

Industrialized countries' performance. But in Germany, France and Britain, the story appears to have been the same. The depressed first quarter gave way to a strong rise in output in April.

The cosy picture of accelerating growth after a first quarter lull is, however, not falling into place very easily. Retail sales data have suggested a decline in sales volume in April and May, admittedly after a high March figure.



Nigel Lawson: "vigorous growth ahead"

CBI, the lower the bias adjustment. The bias adjustment in April accounted for 1.1 of the 1.8 per cent rise in manufacturing output.

whether they can be expected to continue buoyant. Most economists would answer yes to this. Incomes will be boosted in the way outlined by the LBS - with growth in average earnings outstripping that in retail prices by four or five percentage points.

Some upturn in output is bound to result from rising incomes and spending, but problems of British industry's competitiveness will inevitably mean that growth in output elsewhere accelerates.

the "windfall" effects of lower oil prices, already present in inflation rates, come through on output.

More difficult is the sustainability of this upturn if, in large part, it draws in increasing quantities of imported goods. Mr Lawson should be worried about the economy, not in the final six months of this year but in the second half of 1987. Industry's gloom may be justified.

University News

Cambridge Tripos results

The following Tripos examination results from Cambridge University are published.

Music Tripos, Part IA

- Class 1: None. Class 2: D J Barnard, O Elizabeth, Fagundes and Pami; E J...

Chemistry

- Class 1: R E Gira, St John Rigby RC, St Mary's, Cambridge, and St...

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- Class 1: D G Goddard, City of London Freeman's and Cal; E J Hampton,...

Pharmacology

- Class 1: P C Chiu, West Van C. Hong Kong, and St John's, Cambridge...

Physiology

- Class 1: D R Griffin, High Wycombe, Bucks, and St John's, Cambridge...

Psychology

- Class 1: D D Agnew, W. Ellis, London, and St John's, Cambridge...

Genetics

- Class 1: E Heard, F Holland, London, and St John's, Cambridge...

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- Class 1: M B Holness, Ichen C. Southam, and St John's, Cambridge...

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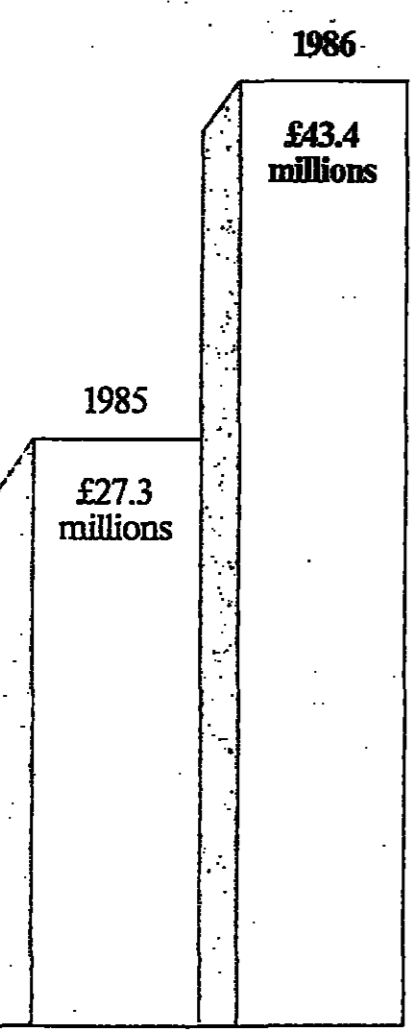
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1	Bass	Breweries	
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3	TI	Industrials S-Z	
4	CASE	Electricals	
5	Alfred-Lyons	Breweries	
6	Stockdale	Industrials S-Z	
7	Low & Bonar	Industrials L-R	
8	Hammerston	Properties	
9	Smith Whitearth	Industrials S-Z	
10	Electronics	Electricals	
11	Mercury Int'l	Banks/Discount	
12	Brassevalco Inds	Industrials A-D	
13	Spirax-Sarco	Industrials S-Z	
14	Freemans	Draperies/S-Z	
15	Sx Harnond	Industrials S-Z	
16	Empire Stores	Draperies/S-Z	
17	Bank of Scotland	Banks/Discount	
18	Glryns	Industrials E-K	
19	Hardsy & Hasons	Breweries	
20	Greenall Whitley	Breweries	
21	Booker McConnell	Industrials A-D	
22	Western Selection	Electricals	
23	Compac	Electricals	
24	Jones & Shipman	Industrials E-K	
25	Isotron	Industrials E-K	
26	Home Counties	Newspapers/Pubs	
27	Sleazy	Industrials S-Z	
28	Fins Nat Finance	Banks/Discount	
29	Royal Rect	Electricals	
30	Brainwave Grp	Industrials A-D	
31	Lawrence (Water)	Building/Roads	
32	Thorn EMI	Electricals	
33	Ward White	Draperies/S-Z	
34	Radian Metal	Industrials L-R	
35	Combined English	Draperies/S-Z	
36	Johnson Mathy	Industrials E-K	
37	Assoc Newspaper	Newspapers/Pubs	
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39	Bowborspe	Electricals	
40	Ferraris	Electricals	
41	BPH Industries	Building/Roads	
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INDUSTRIALS T-U

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No.	Company	Group	Gain or loss

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133	100	Booth	154	150	150	150		4.5	5.5
134	100	Booth	154	150	150	150		4.5	5.5
135	100	Booth	154	150	150	150		4.5	5.5
136	100	Booth	154	150	150	150		4.5	5.5
137	100	Booth	154	150	150	150		4.5	5.5
138	100	Booth	154	150	150	150		4.5	5.5
139	100	Booth	154	150	150	150		4.5	5.5
140	100	Booth	154	150	150	150		4.5	5.5
141	100	Booth	154	150	150	150		4.5	5.5
142	100	Booth	154	150	150	150		4.5	5.5
143	100	Booth	154	150	150	150		4.5	5.5
144	100	Booth	154	150	150	150		4.5	5.5
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146	100	Booth	154	150	150	150		4.5	5.5
147	100	Booth	154	150	150	150		4.5	5.5
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Even the year is right for Portugal

By Diana Wildman

Portugal's entry into the Common Market, its recent opening of property laws and the continuing slide of the escudo against sterling are just three factors which are encouraging British purchasers of leisure homes to look towards Portugal.

The 15 per cent SISA (property transfer tax) payable on all homes costing more than 10 million escudos (about £47,000) has been reduced to 10 per cent of the purchase price.

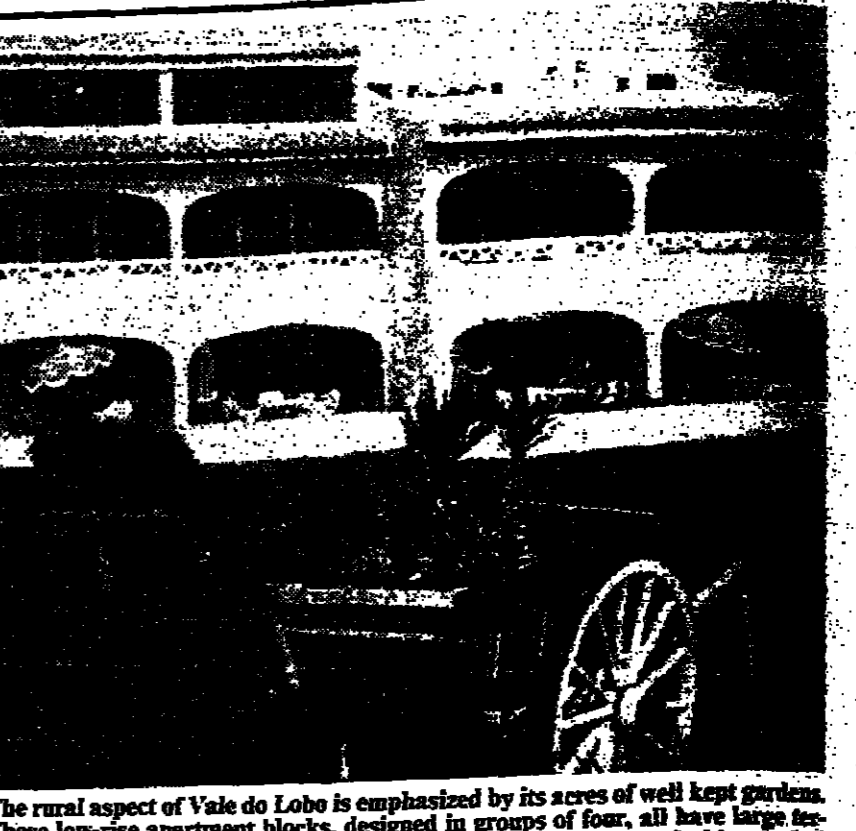
Vale do Lobo is a sophisticated leisure complex on the Algarve coast boasting an impressive range of sporting and holiday facilities as well as a large administrative department.

So far, 700 villas have been completed and sold - many of them are linked into Vale do Lobo's club membership scheme.

There are three linked nine-hole golf courses, for which members pay only £5 in daily green fees, while visitors are charged £20.

There is also a double-deck golf-driving range, the largest in Europe, alongside which a sports centre, including air-conditioned squash courts, is now being built for completion next year.

Properties for sale include one-bedroom and two-bedroom apartments, which are being built in small low-rise blocks of four, priced from £57,000 to £69,000 or, if completely furnished and



The rural aspect of Vale do Lobo is emphasized by its acres of well kept gardens. These low-rise apartment blocks, designed in groups of four, all have large terraces, while the first-floor units have roof terraces.

fitted, from £67,000 and £83,000 respectively. Three-bedroom town houses with balconies and a roof terrace cost from £98,000. Some are available now but most are being completed in phases during the next six months.

For the individualist, a building plot can be chosen and a villa built to the purchaser's specification within a year. A house with three bedrooms and two bathrooms starts at £150,000. It can cost an extra £50,000 to £100,000 to fit out fully with a swimming pool, central heating and furnishings.

Time share is well established, with the Elliott Co-ownership Group selling weeks in its 29 three-bedroom villas from £1,200 to £10,500 according to season. Vale do Lobo's chairman, Sander van Gelder, has now started a holiday club whereby weekly periods during the next five years can be purchased in advance for one lump sum.

Details: Vale do Lobo 8100, Algarve (telephone 010 351 89 94444); UK office: 31 St George Street, London W1R 9FA (01-493 9198).

The Trafalgar House Group's building company, Comben, has sold out the first phase of its 50-acre, chifftop Rocha Brava Estate, near Carvoeiro. Designed as four small 'villages', the centrepiece comprises the enormous swimming pool complex with its own restaurant and the four-court David Lloyd Racquet Centre, which has its own clubhouse.

The 100-villa Lighthouse Village is complete but a good selection of one-bedroom, two-bedroom and three-bedroom apartments and villas is for sale in

Atlantic Village. Comben has designed the exterior in the style of an Algarvian fisherman's cottage with balconies and brightly coloured paintwork predominate to exude an air of traditional charm.

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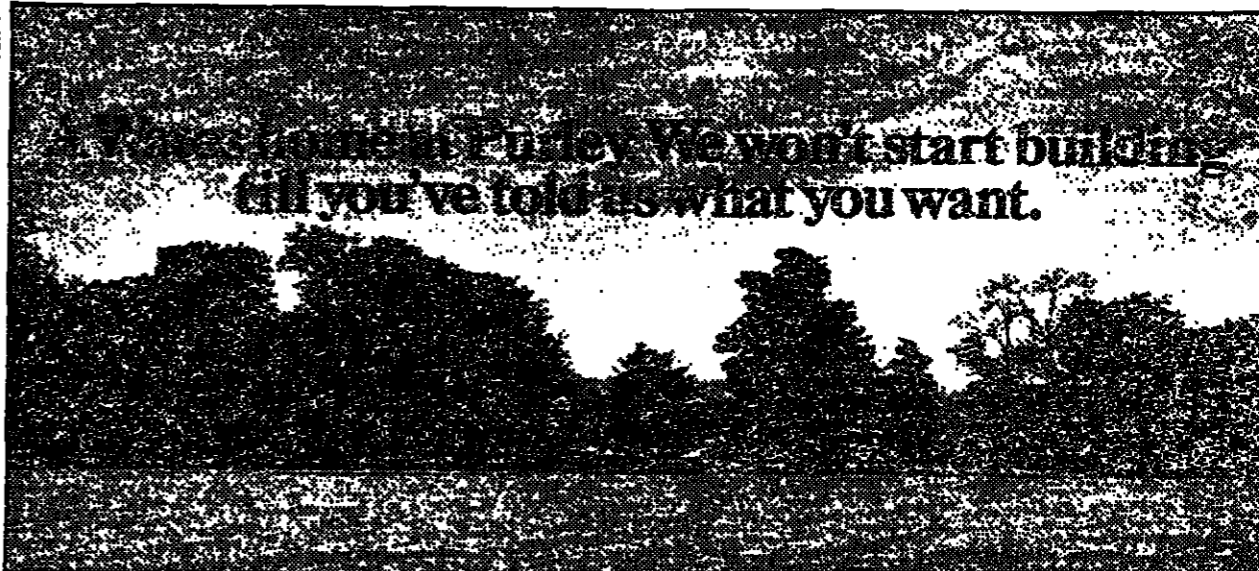
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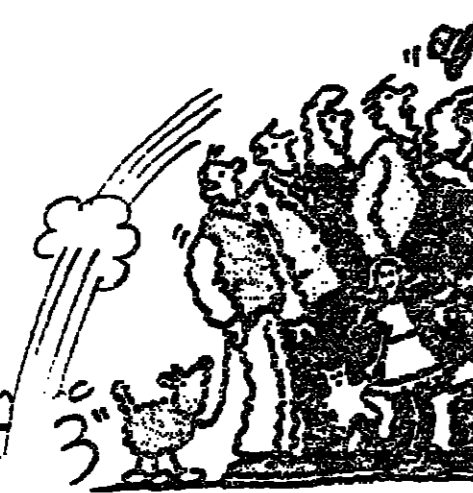
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Benson leads the way again as cautious Kent survive a crisis

By Richard Streeton

SOUTHAMPTON: Kent (21pts) beat Hampshire (6) by five wickets. Sound, studious batting from Mark Benson, who made his second 90 in the match, steered Kent to a hard-earned win yesterday.

chance to Paris off Cowley before he had scored but went on to defend stoutly. The sixth-wicket pair put on 68 before victory came with 15 overs left.

leg before to the third ball afterwards. Benson was 52 at this point and continued to drive and play well off his legs. His best strokes, however, were powerful square cuts against anything loose and four of his 11 boundaries came from these.

Essex consolidate thanks to Border

By Special Correspondent

LORDES: Essex (20pts) beat Middlesex (6) by five wickets. Essex consolidated their position at the top of the Britannic Assurance County Championship table with their fifth win of the season yesterday.

Lilley survived a torrid start to bat sublimely and effectively for 36 in a fifth wicket partnership of 68 in 25 overs. Border, who is in a rich vein of runs after a slow start to his Essex career, was the mainstay of the fifth and sixth wicket stands.

Yorkshire effort falls short

By Peter Marson

Yorkshire needed to make 265 to beat Northamptonshire at Wadsworth Park, Luton, yesterday and in the last of many splendid endeavours, which had placed a distinctive mark on an excellent and entertaining match, Yorkshire did marvelously well to get within 17 runs of victory.

TENNIS: MAYOTTE DEMONSTRATES HIS THREAT WITH A WELL-BALANCED VICTORY



Back to front: Tim Mayotte on his way to victory yesterday (Photograph: Harry Kerr)

No hard and fast rules apparent on outside courts

By Richard Evans

If conditions are supposed to be harder and faster at Wimbledon this year, it has not been apparent to either observers or players involved in matches on the outside courts.

As it was Mayotte, who enjoys a wonderfully balanced outlook on life, won by the equally well-balanced score of 6-4, 6-4. Despite the fact that Sverev moved gingerly while losing the first four games of the match, Mayotte was never able to beat him into total submission, and even in the third set the Soviet player hung on to 4-4 until Mayotte raised his game.

McEnroe's offer is not accepted

By Richard Evans

The US Davis Cup captain, Tom Gorman, has turned down John McEnroe's offer to play doubles against Mexico in Mexico City next month.

Cup tie in front of Mexican fans Gorman has decided to say thank you and stick with Robert Seguso and Ken Flach, who played so well under pressure for him in Ecuador in March.

Rallies through the looking glass

By Simon Barnes

Ten years ago, Chris Lloyd, then Miss Evert, played a 14-year-old at Wimbledon. Tracy Austin, with her pig-tails and the brace on her teeth, and overplaying the part something when by wearing an Alice in Wonderland dress, was suppressed with calm ruthlessness, and a long snarl from the centre court.

"She surprised me." Miss Fernandez hung on and on, with grace after grace, and Mrs Lloyd had to keep on playing. Martina Navratilova's match started at the same time on the court next door, but by the time she was showered and changed (and doubtless enjoying a light snack of broken bottles) Mrs Lloyd was still swapping double-fists with a 14-year-old.

At times it was like watching the same player at each end. "My game is pretty much modelled on hers," Mrs Fernandez said. "She's my idol." "If I'm her idol, how come she plays her best against me?" Mrs Lloyd asked. "She has such composure. Some little girls would have cracked. She's physically stronger than Tracy was when she was 14, and in 10 years time you'll be seeing even better 14-year-olds."



Fortified fourteen-year-old: Mary Joe Fernandez showing the power of youth against her idol, Chris Lloyd, yesterday

Curren receives fine

Kevin Curren, the first seeded casualty at Wimbledon, was also the first to be fined. The umpire, Roger Smith, warned last year's runner-up for his conduct while losing his first-round match to the West German, Eric Jensen, on Monday. Yesterday the Men's Professional Council imposed a \$1,000 fine (about £660) on Curren, \$500 for "visible obscenity" and \$500 for verbal abuse.

rubber that Britain pressed him to play. Now Mottram has no regrets that he is no longer fighting for ranking points and prize money week by week. "I'm very happy doing other things," he says, "like the Men's Golf, squash and real tennis."

Navratilova's record race lacks sparkle

Martina Navratilova lacked her usual sparkle as she set yesterday on her seemingly inevitable journey to the Wimbledon women's singles final. Miss Navratilova beat Amanda Dingwall, the Australian ranked 92nd in the world, 6-3, 6-2, but surprised the centre court crowd by losing her service in the opening game and trailing 0-2.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Men's singles

- Holder: B Becker (WG)
J Hasek (Czech) bt P Dooan (Aus) 6-1, 6-2, 6-3
J C KRIEK (US) bt P Ouster (Aus) 7-6, 6-2, 6-2

Women's singles

- Holder: M Navratilova (US)
A C Villagan (Arg) bt K McDaniel (US) 6-4, 6-3, 6-4
M JORJAN (Cec) bt A H Morochi (US) 6-3, 6-2

Key to countries

- Arg: Argentina; Aus: Australia; Bel: Belgium; Can: Canada; Col: Colombia; Cze: Czechoslovakia; Den: Denmark; Fin: Finland; Ger: Germany; Gre: Greece; Hung: Hungary; Ind: India; Isr: Israel; Ita: Italy; Mex: Mexico; Mor: Morocco; Neth: Netherlands; NZ: New Zealand; Par: Paraguay; Phi: Philippines; Pol: Poland; Por: Portugal; P R: Puerto Rico; Rom: Romania; Rus: Russia; Swe: Sweden; Swit: Switzerland; The: Thailand; Uni: Uruguay; US: United States; USSR: Soviet Union; Ven: Venezuela; Wic: West Germany; Yag: Yugoslavia; Yuc: Yugoslavia.

Worcestershire v Sussex

Worcestershire (16pts) draw with Sussex (2)
SUSSEX: First Innings 250 for 5 d/c (P W G Partner 125, M V Redford 7 for 54)
Second Innings
D K Standing b Newport 28
A M Green b Newport 28

Cambridge Univ v Surrey

Cambridge University draw with Surrey.
Surrey: First Innings 375 for 8 d/c (A R Butler 127)
CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY: First Innings
P A O Ball b Clarke b Medcote 27
R G Foster b Clarke b Medcote 28

Warwickshire v Leicestershire

Warwickshire (7pts) draw with Leicestershire (3)
WARWICKSHIRE: First Innings 222 for 8 d/c (A Lloyd 70, A M Partners 55, A D Ovi 61, D L Ames 54)
Second Innings
T A Lloyd b Taylor 28
G J Partners b A Agnew 21

Northants v Yorkshire

Northamptonshire (5pts) draw with Yorkshire (2)
NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings 235 for 5 d/c (S Sharp b Carrick 58, R J Bailey b Carrick 51)
YORKSHIRE: First Innings 214 for 9 d/c (A H Metcalfe 151, P L Baines 88, Bowling: Metcalfe 19-2-52-2, Griffiths 14-1-27-1, Cappel 11-5-21-1, Harrow 20-7-52-2, Cook 7-5-28-1, Wad 10-26-20)
Second Innings
A C Stone b Sharp b P J Hartley 18
W Larkins b Darrin 18

Bermuda's chances are slender

By Michael Berry
Bermuda, one of the ICC Trophy's extravagant talents, and Kenya, one of the nations seeking greater recognition, share a common dream as cricket's mini World Cup begins to take shape in the Midlands.

ICC Trophy tables

Table with columns for Group, P, W, L, T, Pts. Lists teams like Zimbabwe, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Kenya, Bermuda, Netherlands, Pakistan, India, and West Indies.

Brighton bow to Speight of runs

By George Chesterton

Speight, of Harewood point, who has now scored 650 runs in eight innings, made his third century of the season against Brighton. Harewood point batting first, declared at 223 for six, a total which might have been higher but for Long putting in a steady spell of left-arm bowling.

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having made 73, the asking rate was too much for the rest. Rugby also battled first at home against Uppingham. They rapidly reached 134 for two before three wickets fell in successive balls, two of them to the useful off-spin of Cooke, who finished with four for 59.

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Pivot's great turn

By John Watson

Two Bathurst Cup quarter-finals at Cirencester yesterday resulted in a 7-5 win for Kennelot Stables (received 2) against La Ipanema and an 11-10 win for Los Locos (received 1) against Royal Berkshire.

only went into extra time at 10-10 but into an eighth chukka when he widened posts. Rene Fortugno, Los Locos' American No 2, scored the winning goal. In another fast, open match the Falcons gained their place in the Warwickshire semi-finals with a 7-6 victory over Maple Leafs.

No play yesterday

British Association County Championship
SURREY: Lancashire 478 for 4 d/c (A Auld 108, G B Hirst 84)
MAYNARD: Lancashire 280 for 4 (Moyne 108, A H Moore 54, D B Raine 55, Bowling: Moore 12-2-52-2, Benjamin 3-0-15-2, Williamson 24-10-59-2, Foley 31-11-64-3)
GLoucestershire (4pts) draw with Leicestershire (3)





